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Town of Grantham, NH

Bridging the Gap

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Cover:

Finally...the walking bridge to the
Grantham Village School.

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New Hampshire

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For Fiscal Year 2008

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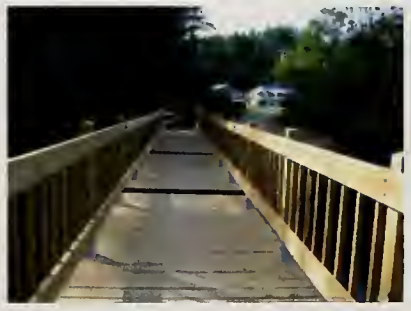
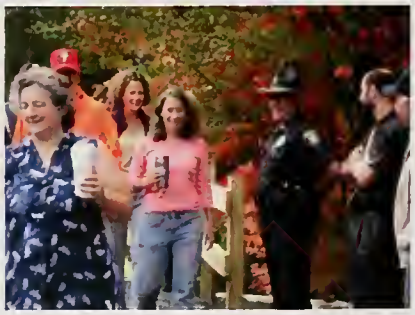
Gold Hawk Bridge

The long awaited walking bridge between the Grantham Village School and the Fire Department was opened for use on September 29th, 2008. There was a ribbon cutting ceremony and the name of the bridge was decided by the students of the Village School. This bridge allows a safer and faster route for the children to evacuate to the Grantham Town Hall in the event of an emergency.





The bridge was designed and constructed by Green Links Construction, Inc.
Engineered by Blakeman Engineering
Steel structure by Barker Steel

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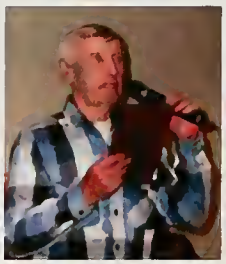
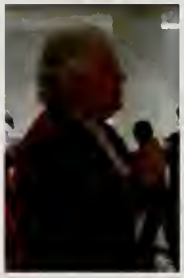


Dennis & Connie Howard



"We often take for granted the very things that most deserve our gratitude."
Cynthia Ozick

Southern part of town is where they reside
Farm Access Road with a new stop sign
Holding Grantham in their hearts with pride
Church and local gatherings bring them to mind

Trustee of the trust funds, Connie balanced to the penny
Interested in town cemeteries? Dennis is the man to explore
Running Bouldervale Farm kept them quite busy
Many days you'd find both on a tractor of yore

Active in town politics; keen on conservation
Many town spots held during the years
Showing persistency and dedication
Your town appreciates our special volunteers

The Board of Selectmen dedicates this 2008 Annual Town Report to
Dennis & Connie Howard

Photo by Warren Kimball

Written by Tina Stearns

Town Information

www.granthamnh.net

Selectmen's Office/Town Administrator; 300 Rte 10 S; 603-863-6021; fax 603-863-3961

Hours:
Monday.....8am - 5pm
Tuesday.....8am - 5pm
Wednesday.....8am - 5pm
Thursday.....8am - 5pm
Friday.....8am - 4pm

Town Clerk / Tax Collector; PO Box 135; 300 Rte 10 S; 603-863-5608; fax 603-863-4499

Hours
Monday.....8am - 5pm*
Tuesday.....8am - 5pm & 7pm - 9pm
Wednesday.....8am - 5pm & 7pm - 9pm
Thursday.....8am - Noon & 1pm - 5pm
Friday.....8am - Noon & 1pm - 5pm

Highway Dept / Road Agent; 36 Dunbar Hill Road; 603-863-9156; fax: 603-863-3961

Police Dept; PO Box 704; 300 Rte 10 S; 603-863-6844; fax 603-863-8152; Non-Emergency 24-hours Dispatch 603-863-3232; EMERGENCY 911

Fire Dept / Burn Permits; PO Box 80; 251 Rte 10 S; 603-863-5710

Dunbar Free Library; PO Box 1580; 401 Rte 10 S; 603-863-2172

Hours:
Monday.....9am - 5pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Tuesday.....CLOSED
Wednesday.....9am - 5pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Thursday.....9am - 5pm
Friday.....9am - Noon
Saturday.....9am - 2pm
Sunday.....CLOSED

Transfer Station aka Mount Trashmore; 1150 Rte 114; 603-863-9713; fax 603-863-3961

Hours:
Monday.....8am - Noon
Tuesday.....CLOSED
Wednesday.....1pm - 4pm
Thursday.....CLOSED
Friday.....10am - Noon & 1pm - 4pm
Saturday.....8am - Noon
Sunday.....1pm - 4pm

Monthly Meeting Schedule

Board of Selectmen - 2nd & 4th Wednesday @ 5pm
Planning Board - 1st Thursday @ 7pm
Zoning Board - 4th Thursday @ 7pm
Conservation Commission - 3rd Monday @ 7pm

THE WHO'S WHO OF GRANTHAM NH

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Harold Haddock, Jr. '09
Constance A. Jones '10
G. Warren Kimball '11

MODERATOR
Victoria Smith '10
Kenneth Story, Assistant

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR -Tina Stearns

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT -Melissa White

RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASSISTANT -Martha Menard

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Rita Eigenbrode

TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR
Rita Eigenbrode '10
Cynthia Towle, Deputy

TOWN TREASURER
Christopher Morris '11
Deputies: Stephen Adamic, John Trethaway, Anne Neu

CEMETERY TRUSTEES
G.Warren Kimball '11
Thomas "Ed" Buckman '09
Arnold "Andy" Anderson '10

CEMETERY SEXTON -Warren Legacy

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (Appointed)
Richard Hocker '09
Andy Eastman '09
Jeremy Turner '11
Adele Furdyna '11
Alternates: Patricia Woolson, Merle Schotanus, Tom Vogel

Cindy Towle & Jim Stamper

DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Donald Noordsy '09
Ed Jenik '09
Cynthia Towle '10
Joy Lamont '10
Donna Stamper '11

LIBRARIAN -Dawn E.S. Huston; B. Joey Holmes, Assistant

PLANNING BOARD
Carl Hanson '09
Karen Ryan '09
Alden Pillsbury '10
Charles McCarthy '11
Warren Kimball, Selectmen Rep
Alternates: Larry Fuller, Robert Barnes; Clerk: Jessica Smith

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST
Sandra Noordsy '10
Janet Goodrow '12
Donna Stamper '14

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
Connie Howard '09
Todd McIntire '10
Kristina Burgard '11

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (Appointed)
Peter Gardiner '09
Tanya McIntire '09
Conrad Frey '10
Richard Mansfield '11
John Clayton '11
Alternates: Myron Cummings, Margery Bostrom
Clerk: Martha Menard

Supervisors of the Checklist
Sandy Noordsy, Donna Stamper, Janet Goodrow

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR - Laurie Field

RECREATION PARK COMMITTEE
Warren Kimball, Laurie Field, Marsha Googins, Jamie Hunt, Rick Anderson, Todd Cartier, Sarah Johnson, Jodie Jones-Poljacik, Todd French, Ken O'Keefe, Missy Walla

BUILDING MAINTENANCE MANAGER - F. Robert Osgood

BUILDING INSPECTOR - Roger Woodworth

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE
Roger Woodworth, Bruce St.Peter, Mary Hutchins, Charles McCarthy, Bob Friday, Bill Zimmerman, Bob Champagne, Karen Ryan

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR - F. Robert Osgood

F.A.S.T. SQUAD
Coordinator Stuart Gillespie, Asst. Coordinator Jeff Figley, Secretary Susan Figley, Treasurer
Jane Chipman, Jeremiah Fountain, Bruce Chipman, Kevin LaHaye, Jill Davis, Lori Avery, Kristi O'Conner

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Michael Benoit, Chief
Chris Palermo, Deputy Chief
Doug Demers, Captain

Current Active Members: Donald Barton, James Palermo, Rosie Bard, Robin Palermo, Jeremiah Fountain, Justin Hastings, Michael Durkin, David Beckley, Wayne Small, Richard Coville, Bill Rigby, Kevin LaHaye, Melissa Hautaniemi, Chris Boyes, Jeremy Labombard

FIRE WARDEN - Michael Benoit

HEALTH OFFICER - Roger Woodworth, Deputy Charles McCarthy

POLICE DEPARTMENT
Walter Madore, Sr., *Chief*
John Parsons, *Captain & Prosecutor*
Tom Harriman, *Corporal*
Matthew Merrill, *Officer*
Wendy Wallace, *Dept. Secretary*
Specials: Michael Szelangowski, Robert Schwartz, Massad Ayoob, Russell Lary

RECREATION DIRECTOR - Marsha Googins

REPS TO THE GENERAL COURT - Matthew Houde, Carla Skinder, Peter Hoe Burling

SCHOOL BOARD
Leslie Brown '09
Laurie Hanks '09
Doug Caffrey '10
Jeffrey Walla '10
David Armstrong '11

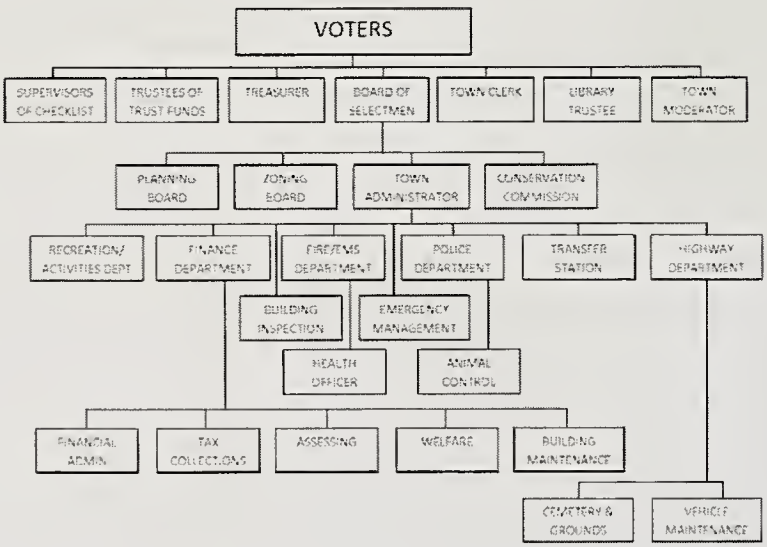
SAU #75
Margaret Sullivan, Superintendent
Maren Ardell, Special Education Director
Linda Kosiorek, Staff Accountant

HIGHWAY
Joseph Newcomb, Road Agent
Jeffrey Hastings, Asst. Road Agent

TOWN ARCHIVIST - Lea Frey

TRANSFER STATION
Frank Chaisson, Supervisor
Attendants: Raymond Hamilton; Ron Fowler

WELFARE OFFICIAL - Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator



Right to Know Law

What is the "Right-to-Know" Law, RSA 91:A? It is New Hampshire's statute that emphasizes that the business of the Town is the public's business. It makes clear that, with very few exceptions, the public has access to Town records and meetings held in connection with Town Government.

Who does it cover? All of us, whether we are elected officials, employees or volunteers serving on boards of the Town of Grantham.

What does it cover? It covers all "meetings". A "meeting" occurs whenever a quorum of a Board, Committee or Subcommittee has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power. The law also requires that the business of a Board be conducted at a meeting, rather than by telephone, e-mail or private gathering of individuals.

If it is a meeting, what does that mean? A notice of the time and place must be posted at least 24 hours in advance (excluding Sundays and legal holidays) in at least two (2) public places. The public is entitled to attend and may record or videotape the proceeding. All votes, with the very few exceptions itemized below, must be taken in open session and not be secret ballot. Minutes must be taken and made available to the public within 144 hours.

When can we hold a nonpublic session? Rarely. The Right-to-Know Law lists certain limited situations, which allow a Board to go into nonpublic session. Those situations are: Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees, RSA 91-A:3, II (a). Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, RSA 91-A:3, II (b). Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person - however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your board, committee or subcommittee, RSA 91-A:3, II (c). Consideration of the purchase, sale, or lease of real or personal property, RSA 91-A:3, II (d). Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation, RSA 91-A:3, II (e).

How do we go into nonpublic session? A motion must be made which specifically identifies the statutory category which is the reason for going into nonpublic session, and then a roll call must be taken in which each member's vote on the motion must be recorded.

If we go into nonpublic session, what then? Minutes must be taken just as you would in an open session. Decisions can be made in nonpublic sessions. You must stick to the subject which was the reason for going into the nonpublic session; if there is need to discuss other matters which discussion would be covered by a different exemption, you need to first come out of nonpublic session and then vote to go back in under that different exception. It is only in this way that a proper record can be prepared for public review. The minutes from the nonpublic session must be made public within 72 hours unless two-thirds of the members, while in nonpublic session, determine that the divulgence of the information likely would adversely effect the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board, Committee or Subcommittee, or render the circumstances, the minutes may be withheld until those circumstances no longer apply. Action required to sequester.

Which Public Records are accessible? The public has access to all records held by the town except to the extent they may fall under one of the exemptions listed above.

How quickly do the records need to be supplied? If the requested record cannot conveniently be made available immediately, there is a deadline of five (5) business days for complying with the request.
If there is a question as to whether something is open to the public, what do I do? Consult with the Selectmen and they will get advice from town counsel, if necessary.

In what format can the public demand that town records be produced? Most records are available for photocopying, but the Right-to-Know Law also extends the right to obtain computer disks of material already in the town's computers. A reasonable charge can be made to cover the cost of providing the copies or disks. In no case, however, does a member of the public have the right to demand that the town collect, search for, or arrange information that is not already pulled together for the town's own purposes.

This document is intended as a general outline of the "Right-to-Know" Law and is somewhat simplified for ease of use. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Selectmen.

2007 TOWN MEETING RULES

1. Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.

2. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify him or herself.

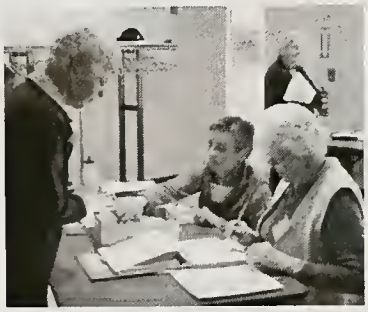
3. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over $100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.

4. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.

5. Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.

6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.

7. Registered voters only will be seated in the center section of the meeting hall. Non-voters will be seated in the visitor's gallery located in the area bounded by the pillars and the inside wall of the meeting hall.



Barbara Mutney checks in with the Supervisors

Future Voters of Grantham

TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN MEETING WARRANT
YEAR 2009

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SULLIVAN COUNTY

To the inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in Sullivan County, in the State of New Hampshire. *who are qualified to vote in town affairs*:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Grantham will be held at the **Grantham Town Hall, 300 Route 10 South** on **Tuesday, March 10, 2009** at **5:00 p.m.** to act on the following subjects. **Articles 1 & 2** shall be by ballot at the polls which shall be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. The remaining articles shall be considered during the business meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1 – Election of Officers
To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Selectman	3 years
Planning Board – 2 positions	3 years
Library Trustee – 2 positions	3 years
Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years

ARTICLE 2 – Are you in favor of the Adoption of Amendment No. X as Proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Update Grantham's Zoning Ordinance "ARTICLE III-K SHORE LAND AND RIVER OVERLAY DISTRICT" to reflect the revision and amendment to the "THE COMPREHENSIVE SHORE LAND PROTECTION ACT" of RSA 483-B as adopted by the State of New Hampshire July 1, 2008.

Rationale: The State's amended "Comprehensive Shore Land Protection Act" outlines the criteria for the environmental protection of land within 250 feet of the shore line of certain water bodies and rivers within the State, including eleven located in the Town of Grantham. The State will require their approval and a permit from the DES in these designated areas before any change to an existing or new land use can be initiated.

_____YES _____NO

ARTICLE 3 – Petitioned – Old Town Hall Building Expenses & Trust Fund
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars ($10,000) each year to defray operating costs of the Grantham Old Town Hall Building, and to raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be put into the trust fund each year to defray capital improvements of maintaining the Grantham Old Town Hall Building in order to continue to make this building available for community function.
NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 4 – General Government
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$891,766** to defray the cost of **General Government** operations.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Selectmen's Office	153,725	140,150
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	97,700	98,453
Supervisors of the Checklist	7,906	7,900
Financial Administration	62,000	60,789
Tax Maps/Assessing	30,000	35,000
Legal	15,000	15,000
Personnel Administration	358,450	379,900
Planning Board	7,800	7,750
Zoning Board of Adjustment	3,400	2,450
General Government Buildings	88,350	98,470
Cemeteries	15,000	20,000
Insurance	23,000	23,000
Regional Associations	2,806	2,904
TOTAL	**865,137**	**891,766**

ARTICLE 5 – Public Safety
To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **$537,903** to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Police Department	376,329	370,100
FAST Squad	52,037	45,882
Fire Department	100,220	102,246
Forest Fire	375	375
Building Inspection	5,500	7,000
Emergency Management	11,500	12,300
TOTAL	**545,961**	**537,903**

ARTICLE 6 – Public Works
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$662,763** to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Highway Administration	162,280	172,713
Highway Maintenance	138,000	159,000
Street Lights	3,000	4,000
Transfer Station	141,000	136,550
Waste Disposal	182,500	183,000
Landfill Monitoring	7,000	7,500
TOTAL	**633,780**	**662,763**

ARTICLE 7 – Health and Welfare
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$24,155** to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Boarding Animals	1,000	1,000
Community Services	12,763	13,155
Town General Assistance	7,500	10,000
TOTAL	**21,263**	**24,155**

ARTICLE 8 – Culture and Recreation
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$203,790** for **Culture and Recreation**.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Recreation	25,775	26,677
Dunbar Free Library	146,803	150,531
Activities	23,435	26,082
Archives	500	500
TOTAL	**196,513**	**203,790**

ARTICLE 9 – Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes
"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$113,200** for **Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes.**
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Conservation Commission	1,100	1,600
Bond Payment	65,000	65,000
Bond Interest	49,520	46,500
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	100	100

TOTAL	115,720	113,200

ARTICLE 10 – Capital Reserve Funds
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$103,000** to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2008/09	Proposed 2009/10
Fire Department Capital Reserve	25,000	10,000
Highway Equip Capital Reserve	30,000	25,000
Town Office Equip Capital Reserve	1,000	1,000
Transfer Station Capital Reserve	10,000	10,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve	20,000	10,000
Library Addition Capital Reserve	50,000	20,000
Mowers Capital Reserve	0	2,000
Athletic Fields Capital Reserve	0	25,000
TOTAL	136,000	103,000

ARTICLE 11 – Highway Dump/Plow Truck
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty-nine thousand four hundred dollars ($139,400) for the purchase of a new highway dump truck complete with plow and sander and authorize the withdrawal of seventy thousand dollars ($70,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of sixty-nine thousand four hundred dollars ($69,400) less the trade-in value is to come from general taxation.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 12 – Police Video Cameras
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand four hundred eight-five dollars ($14,485) for the purchase of three (3) in-car video systems for the police cruisers. The sum to come from general taxation.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 13 – Land Preservation Capital Reserve Fund
To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a capital reserve fund pursuant to RSA Chapter 35 for the purchase of Grantham property deemed to be vital in

conservation and preservation and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) towards this purpose, and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund.
Requested by the Conservation Commission
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Special Warrant Article

ARTICLE 14 – Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund
To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a capital reserve fund (pursuant to RSA Chapter 35) for the future revaluation of the municipality and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) towards this purpose, and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Special Warrant Article

ARTICLE 15 – Town Buildings Capital Reserve Fund
To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a capital reserve fund (pursuant to RSA Chapter 35) for the repair and maintenance of all town owned buildings and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) towards this purpose, and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Special Warrant Article

ARTICLE 16 – Recreation Revolving Fund
To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation park services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen (no further town meeting approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

ARTICLE 17 – Acceptance of Credit Cards
To see if the Town will vote to accept the following ordinance:

Acceptance of Credit Cards. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector will be allowed to accept credit card payments pursuant to RSA 80:52-c for the collection of local taxes, charges generated by the sale of utility services or other fees. The Town will add to the amount due, in addition to any interest and penalties payable, a service charge for the acceptance of the card. The amount of the service charge shall be disclosed at the time of the billing.

The Board of Selectmen in coordination with the Town Clerk/Tax Collector may adopt rules and regulations regarding the collection procedures.

ARTICLE 18– Discontinue Capital Reserve Funds
To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds with said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the town's general fund.
(Majority Vote Required)

Town Green CRF established 1996 - balance $0.00
Gym Floor Renovation CRF – established 1997 - balance $0.00
Village School Paving CRF – established 1997 - balance $0.00

ARTICLE 19 – Change Purpose of Library Addition CRF
To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of an existing Library Addition Capital Reserve Fund to the Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund.
Requested by the Library Trustees
(2/3 Vote Required)

ARTICLE 20 – Library Expansion Capital Reserve
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred forty-eight thousand eight hundred seventy-two dollars and seventy-six cents ($248,872.76) which is the gifted amount from the Jeremy Brown Estate and to authorize the transfer of the monies from the Town's General Fund to the Dunbar Free Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund.
Requested by the Library Trustees
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Special Warrant Article

ARTICLE 21 – Disposal of Town Owned Property
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of any acquired properties through sealed bids or auction, with the Selectmen reserving the right to accept or refuse any or all bids.

ARTICLE 22 – Conservation Commission Contributions
To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds for contributions to "qualified organizations" for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the

town will retain no interest in the property. The properties must be within the town boundaries of Grantham.

ARTICLE 23 – End of Meeting
To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 13th day of February, 2009.

Harold Haddock, Jr., Chairman

Constance A. Jones

G. Warren Kimball

Board of Selectmen

We certify that on the 13th day of February, 2009, we cause a true copy of the within warrant to be posted at the Grantham Town Office on 300 Route 10 South, the Dunbar Free Library at Route 10 South and the Grantham Post Office at Willis Avenue.

Harold Haddock, Jr., Chairman

Constance A. Jones

G. Warren Kimball

Board of Selectmen

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BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: GRANTHAM

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, _____ to December 31, _____

or Fiscal Year From 07/01/2009 to 06/30/2010

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 13, 2009

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Harold Haddock Jr	HAROLD HADDOCK JR
Constance A Jones	CONSTANCE A JONES
Warren Kimball	WARREN KIMBALL

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures 1/31/2009	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	4	153725	77455	140150	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	4	105606	61425	106353	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	4	62000	35687	60789	
4152	Revaluation of Property	4	30000	3350	35000	
4153	Legal Expense	4	15000	887	15000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	4	358450	207258	379900	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	4	11200	4944	10200	
4194	General Government Buildings	4	88350	53355	98470	
4195	Cemeteries	4	15000	1408	20000	
4196	Insurance	4	23000	19204	23000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	4	2806	2806	2904	
4199	Other General Government					
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	5	376329	190879	370100	
4215-4219	Ambulance	5	52037	36925	45882	
4220-4229	Fire	5	100595	25567	102621	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	5	5500	3722	7000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	5	11500	6196	12300	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)					
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	6	162280	87847	172713	
4312	Highways & Streets	6	138000	100367	159000	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting	6	3000	1344	4000	
4319	Other					
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection	6	141000	89922	136550	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	6	182500	79747	183000	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	6	7000	2242	7500	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

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	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration					
4414	Pest Control	7	1000	75	1000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	7	12763	12763	13155	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.					
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	7	7500	4632	10000	
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	8	25775	14134	26677	
4550-4559	Library	8	146803	96354	150531	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	8	23435	11227	26082	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	8	500	238	500	
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources	9	1100	625	1600	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	9	65000	65000	65000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	9	49520	49325	46500	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	9	100	0	100	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

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	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund*	10	136000	136000	103000	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917*					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds*					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL		2,514,374	1,482,910	2,536,577	

* Use special warrant article section on next page.

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SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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4915	PROPERTY REVALUATION CRF	14			$10,000	
4915	LAND PRESERVATION CRF	13			$20,000	
4915	LIBRARY ADDITION CRF		$50,000	$50,000		
4915	TOWN BUILDINGS CRF				$25,000	
	OLD TOWN HALL EXPENSES	3				$10,000
4915	LIBRARY EXPANSION CRF	21			$248,873	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	$303,873	XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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4902	HIGHWAY TRUCK	11			$139,400	
4902	POLICE VEHICLE CAMERAS	12			$14,485	
4903	RECREATION PROPERTY		$475,000	$475,000		
4902	POLICE CRUISER		$33,000	$33,000		
4902	FIRE DEPT JAWS OF LIFE		$20,000	$20,000		
4902	TRANSFER STATION CONTAINERS		$15,000	$15,000		
4903	LIBRARY WINDOWS		$12,000	$12,000		
4902	FIRE TRUCK		$340,000	$340,000		
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	$153,885	XXXXXXXXX

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		4000	2358	2000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		25000	12142	10000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		560000	593481	512000
3230	Building Permits		15000	12043	12000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		10000	14705	12180
3311-3319	**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**				
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		5423	10843	10843
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		103409	103409	103409
3353	Highway Block Grant		48999	50482	52322
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		15000	18546	1500
3379	**FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		60000	75416	48550
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		0	500	0
3502	Interest on Investments		125000	99478	75000
3503-3509	Other		20000	29432	25000

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		207,000	215,206	318,873
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		1,198,831	1,238,041	1,183,677

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	2,514,374	2,536,577
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	50,000	303,873
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	895,000	153,885
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	3,459,374	2,994,335
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	(1,198,831)	(1,183,677)
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	2,260,543	1,810,658

FORM MS-1

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
FORM MS-1 FOR 2008
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687
E-mail: nduffy@rev.state.nh.us

Original Date: 8/13/08 2008
Copy (check box if copy) ☑
Revision Date: _____

CITY/TOWN OF GRANTHAM IN SULLIVAN COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Rev 1707.03(d)(7)

PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS (Sign in ink)
HAROLD HADDOCK, JR	[signature]
CONSTANCE A JONES	Constance A. Jones
G WARREN KIMBALL	[signature]

Date signed August 27, 2008
City/Town Telephone # 603-863-6021
Check one: Governing Body ☒ Assessors ☐
Due Date: September 1, 2008

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink.

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34, as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/town tax assessments and sworn to uphold under oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions (pages 10 through 15) provided for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1st

Village Districts - pages 8-9 must be completed for EACH village district within the municipality.

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: NH Department of Revenue Administration, Municipal Services Division, PO Box 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487.

Contact Person: TINA STEARNS, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR (Print/type) **E-Mail Address:** admin@granthamnh.net

Regular office hours: Monday - Thursday 8am-5pm & Friday 8am-4pm

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See instructions beginning on page 10, as needed.

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SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

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LAND BUILDINGS	Lines 1A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land (include wells, septic & paving) Lines 2 A, B, C and D List all buildings	NUMBER OF ACRES	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1	**VALUE OF LAND ONLY** - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4		
A	Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See page 10)	9,907.38	$ 797,652
B	Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	0.00	$ 0
C	Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	0.29	$ 600
D	Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0.00	$ 0
E	Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	5,522.96	$ 142,964,655
F	Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Land)	256.68	$ 3,804,600
G	Total of Taxable Land (Sum of lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	15,687.31	$ 147,567,507
H	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land ($ 3,408,962)	773.44	
2	**VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY** - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B		
A	Residential		$ 404,953,400
B	Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		$ 616,300
C	Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		$ 8,065,100
D	Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D Number of Structures	1	$ 12,100
E	Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		$ 413,646,900
F	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings ($ 5,475,000)		
3	**UTILITIES** (see RSA 83-F:1V for complete definition)		
A	Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)		$ 2,603,104
B	Other Utilities (Total of Section B From Utility Summary)		$ 0
4	**MATURE WOOD AND TIMBER** RSA 79:5		$ 0
5	**VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS** (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality		$ 563,817,511
6	**Certain Disabled Veterans** RSA 72:36-a (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with VA Assistance) Total # granted	1	$ 324,200
7	**Improvements to Assist the Deaf** RSA 72:38-b Total # granted	0	$ 0
8	**Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities** RSA 72:37-a Total # granted	0	$ 0
9	**School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption up to $150,000 for each) (See page 10) Total # granted	0	$ 0
10	**Water/Air Pollution Control Exemptions** RSA 72:12-a Total # granted	0	$ 0
11	**MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES** (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality		$ 563,493,311
12	**Blind Exemption** RSA 72:37 Total # granted	0	$ 0
	Amount granted per exemption	$ 0	
13	**Elderly Exemption** RSA 72:39-a & b Total # granted	8	$ 370,000
14	**Deaf Exemption** RSA 72:38-b Total # granted	0	$ 0
	Amount granted per exemption	$ 0	
15	**Disabled Exemption** RSA 72:37-b Total # granted	0	$ 0
	Amount granted per exemption	$ 0	

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16	**Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	$	0
17	**Solar Energy Exemption** RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	$	0
18	**Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72.66	Total # granted	0	$	0
19	**Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72.23 IV (Amounts in excess of $150,000 exemption)	Total # granted	0	$	0
20	**TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS** (Sum of Lines 12-19)			$	370,000
21	**NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED** (Line 11 minus Line 20)			$	563,123,311
22	**LESS Utilities** (Line 3A) Do **NOT** include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B			$	26,043,104
23	**NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED** (Line 21 minus Line 22)			$	560,520,207

Additional notes (example, update, reveal changes to exemptions, mapping, increases to value decreases to value, etc.)

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UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, HYDROELECTRIC, RENEWABLE-MISC., NUCLEAR, GAS/PIPELINES WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F
List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include **ONLY** the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction page 11)

DOES YOUR MUNICIPALITY USE THE DRA UTILITY VALUES?	YES ☒	NO ☐
IF YES, DO YOU EQUALIZE IT BY THE RATIO? (please check appropriate box if applicable)	YES ☒	NO ☐

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instruction page 11)	2008 VALUATION
PUBLIC SERVICE CO OF NH	$ 2,150,343
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$ -
	$
A1 TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION (See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)	$ 2,150,343

GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES	
	$
	$
	$
A2 TOTAL OF ALL GAS COMPANIES LISTED (See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)	$

WATER & SEWER COMPANIES	
EASTMAN SEWER COMPANY	$ 452,761
	$
	$
A3 TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED (See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)	$

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES (Sum of Lines A1, A2, and A3) This grand total of all sections must agree with the total listed on page 2, Line 3A.	$ 2,603,104

SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies) (Attach additional sheet if needed.)	2008 VALUATION
	$
	$
	$
B TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B. Total must agree with total listed on Page 2, Line 3B.	$ 0

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TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
RSA 72:28 Veterans' Tax Credit / Optional Veterans' Tax Credit $50 Standard Credit $51 up to $500 upon adoption by city or town	$ 500	162	$ 81,000
RSA 72:29-a Surviving Spouse "The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States..." $700 Standard Credit $701 up to $2,000 upon adoption by city or town	$ 0	0	$ 0
RSA 72:35 Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability "Any person who has been honorably discharged from the military service of the United States and who has total and permanent service-connected disability, or who is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service-connected injury." $700 Standard Credit $701 up to $2,000 upon adoption by city or town	$ 700	5	$ 3,500
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		167	$ 84,500

*If both husband & wife/civil union partner qualify for the credit they count as 2.
*If someone is living at a residence such as brother & sister, and one qualifies, count as 1, not one-half.

DISABLED EXEMPTION REPORT

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	$	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	$
	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$		MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$

DEAF EXEMPTION REPORT

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	$	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	$
	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$		MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a

NUMBER OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		PER AGE CATEGORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTION GRANTED			
AGE	#	AMOUNT PER INDIVIDUAL	AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65 - 74	0	$ 0	65 - 74	1	$ 30,000	$ 30,000
75 - 79	0	$ 0	75 - 79	1	$ 40,000	$ 40,000
80 +	0	$ 0	80 +	6	$ 300,000	$ 300,000
			TOTAL	8	$ 370,000	$ 370,000

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	$ 22,000	ASSET LIMIT:	SINGLE	$ 65,000
	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$ 31,000		MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$ 65,000

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CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A

	TOTAL No. ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	265.15	$ 82,408	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	3,913.30
FOREST LAND	5,036.54	$ 376,267	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	0.00
FOREST LAND W/DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	3,396.66	$ 225,811		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	1,086.16	$ 111,518	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE	TOTAL NUMBER 72
WET LAND	122.87	$ 1,648	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE	126
TOTAL (must match page 2)	9,907.38	$ 797,652		

LAND USE CHANGE TAX

GROSS MONIES RECEIVED FOR CALENDAR YEAR (January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007) 0

CONSERVATION ALLOCATION:	PERCENTAGE	100%	AND/OR	DOLLAR AMOUNT
MONIES TO CONSERVATION FUND				$ 0
MONIES TO GENERAL FUND				$ 0

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B

	TOTAL No. ACRES RECEIVING CONS. RES. ASSESSMENT	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND		$	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	
FOREST LAND		$	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT DURING CURRENT YEAR	
FOREST LAND WITH/DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP		$		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND		$		TOTAL NUMBER
WET LAND		$	TOTAL No. OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	
TOTAL (must match page 2)		$	TOTAL No. OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS GRANTED: Map/Lot-Percentage Granted (i.e. Golf Course, Ball Park, etc.)
0.29	1	1 242-021-000 100% Barn Lot
ASSESSED VALUATION		2
$ 600		3
		4

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DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS - RSA 79-D
Historic Agricultural Structures

TOTAL NUMBER OF STRUCTURES IN DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e.: Barns, Silos, etc.) MAP & LOT - PERCENTAGE GRANTED	
1	1 Barn - 242-021-000 100%	10
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES	2	11
0.29	3	12
	4	13
ASSESSED VALUATION	5	14
$ 600 L/O	6	15
$ 12,100 B/O	7	16
TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS	8	17
1	9	18

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICTS RSA 162-K	TIF#1	TIF#2	TIF#3	TIF#4
Date of adoption/modification	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
Original assessed value	$	$	$	$
+ Unretained captured assessed value	$	$	$	$
= Amounts used on Page 2 (tax rates)	$	$	$	$
+ Retained captured assessed value	$	$	$	$
Current assessed value	$	$	$	$

***LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES** Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.	**MUNICIPALITY**	**LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes** Number of Acres	
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land From MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357	$		
White Mountain National Forest, **Only** acct. 3186	$		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$		
TOTALS of account 3186 (Exclude WMNF)	$		

* RSA 362-A:6 was reinstated, effective 4/1/2006. This statute allows municipalities to enter into payment in lieu of tax agreements with small scale power facilities. However, these new PILOT agreements are also taxable under RSA 83-F

Questions regarding these laws please consult with the DRA Utility Tax Appraiser at (603) 271-2687

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT ONLY EASTMAN

LAND / BUILDINGS	Lines 1A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land (include wells, septic & paving) Lines 2 A, B, C and D List all buildings	NUMBER OF ACRES	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1	**VALUE OF LAND ONLY** - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4		
	A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A	3.30	$ 255
	B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	0.00	$ 0
	C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	0.00	$ 0
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0.00	$ 0
	E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	1,731.18	$ 96,832,130
	F Commercial/Industrial (**DO NOT** Include Utility Land)	2.97	$ 259,800
	G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	1,737.45	$ 97,092,185
	H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land ($ 1,284,900)	159.09	
2	**VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY** - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B		
	A Residential		$ 302,387,900
	B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		$ 0
	C Commercial/Industrial (**DO NOT** Include Utility Buildings)		$ 893,400
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D Number of Structures	0	$ 0
	E Total of Taxable Buildings (sum of Lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		$ 303,281,300
	F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings ($ 904,900)		
3	**UTILITIES** (see **RSA 83-F:1 V** for complete definition) **within district**		
	A Utilities (Real Estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)		$ 0
	B Other Utilities (Total of Section B From Utility Summary)		$ 0
4	**MATURE WOOD AND TIMBER** (RSA 79:5)		$ 0
5	**VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS** (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.		$ 400,373,485
6	**Certain Disabled Veterans** RSA 72:36-a (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with VA Assistance) Total # granted	1	$ 324,200
7	**Improvements to Assist the Deaf** RSA 72:38-b Total # granted	0	$ 0
8	**Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities** RSA 72:37-a Total # granted	0	$ 0
9	**School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72.23 IV (Standard Exemption up to $150,000 for each) (See page 15) Total # granted	0	$ 0
10	**Water/Air Pollution Control Exemptions** RSA 72:12-a Total # granted	0	$ 0
11	**MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES** (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality		$ 400,049,285
12	**Blind Exemption** RSA 72:37 Total # granted / Amount granted per exemption	0 / $ 0	$ 0
13	**Elderly Exemption** RSA 72:39-a & b Total # granted	0	$ 0
14	**Deaf Exemption** RSA 72:38-b Total # granted / Amount granted per exemption	0 / $ 0	$ 0
15	**Disabled Exemption** RSA 72:37-b Total # granted / Amount granted per exemption	0 / $ 0	$ 0

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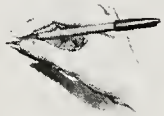
16	**Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	$ 0
17	**Solar Energy Exemption** RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	$ 0
18	**Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	$ 0
19	**Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72:23 IV (Amounts in excess of $150,000 exemption)	Total # granted	0	$ 0
20	**TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS** (Sum of Lines 12-19)			$ 0
21	**NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED** (Line 11 minus Line 20)			$ 400,049,285



Town Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2008

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE **SULLIVAN COUNTY**

Moderator Victoria Smith called the 232nd Annual Grantham Town Meeting to order at 5:20 pm. Pastor Ron Bruce was invited to offer the invocation. The Daisies and Brownies of Troop 2060 led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

This year the Grantham Town Report was dedicated to Herman Barton. Moderator Smith asked Police Chief Lary to present the dedication. Chief Lary spoke about how Herm could do just about anything. Herm was the director of Mount Trashmore. He was a school crossing guard when the bridge on Route 114 was being repaired. Even though Herm was born in Springfield, NH and moved to Grantham when he was 3 years old he is a true Granthamite.

Moderator Smith stated that the meeting having been properly warranted as it is certified on page 23 of the town report and by the authority invested in me by the laws of the State of New Hampshire I do now declare the 232nd Annual Meeting of the Town of Grantham officially opened for business. Moderator Smith announced that the polls for official ballot voting opened at 10:00 am and will close at 7:00 pm today for the purpose of casting ballots on articles 1 - 3 and that absentee ballots were opened at 1:00 pm this afternoon.

Town Moderator Victoria Smith with a trainee(?)

School Moderator Carl Hanson was temporarily absent from the meeting and Moderator Smith directed the assembly's attention to the Grantham Village School Annual Report on page 116 of the Grantham Town Report.
The Moderator then introduced Town Clerk/Tax Collector Rita Eigenbrode, Town Administrator Tina Stearns, Selectman Connie Jones, Selectman Harold Haddock and Selectman Alden "Chick" Pillsbury. The Assistant Moderator is Ken Story. This year the ballot clerks are Lorie McClory, Martha Menard, Missy Walla and Michael Holdowsky.

The Rules of the Meeting, on page 14 of the town report, were adopted and the Moderator directed the Town Clerk to make the rules of the meeting a permanent part of the meeting record. *Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote.*

2008 Town Meeting Rules

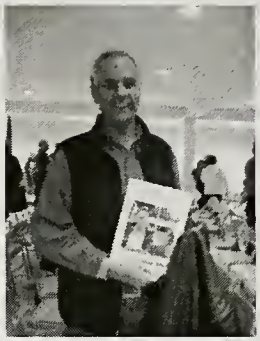
1. Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.
2. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify him or herself.
3. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over $100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.
4. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.
5. Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.
6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.

School Moderator Carl Hanson

Registered voters only will be seated in the center section of the meeting hall. Non-voters will be seated in the visitor's gallery located in the area bounded by the pillars and the inside wall of the meeting hall.

ARTICLE 1 – Election of Officers
To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Warren Kimball	Selectman	3 years
Christopher Morris	Treasurer	3 years
Victoria Smith	Town Moderator	2 years
Charles McCarthy	Planning Board	3 years
Susan Mellow	Library Trustee	3 years
Warren Kimball	Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Kristina Burgard	Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Donna Stamper	Supervisor of Checklist	6 years


Newly elected Selectman Warren Kimball

ARTICLE 2 – Building Code Changes

Are you in favor of amendments to the Grantham Building Code, as follows:

Article I – Purpose and Authority: "In accordance with New Hampshire RSA 675:3, the Town of Grantham hereby adopts the *Current version of the "New Hampshire Building Code" or "State Building Code" as defined in Chapter 155-A:1, Title X11, Public Safety and Welfare,* as the Grantham Building Code for the purpose of preserving the public health, safety, welfare and convenience and to insure any proposed building site is reasonably safe from flood hazards. *The State Building Code includes by reference, The International Building Code 2006, The International Plumbing Code 2006, The International Mechanical Code 2006, The International Energy Code 2006 and The International Residential Code 2006 as published by the International Code Council and The National Electrical Code 2005. The effective date for this Grantham Building Code shall be March 11, 2008.*"

Article VI – General Building Permit: "H. Permit Time Limits: Any work for which a permit has been issued by the Building Inspector for any construction shall be actively prosecuted *as follows: Appreciable Start: Residences – 4 months from date of approval (foundation in and capped). All other work – 6 months from date of approval to actively prosecute and/or make appreciable start.*"

Article IX – Code Compliance Inspections: *"When construction begins, the following code compliance inspections, to be conducted by the Building Inspector, MUST BE REQUESTED IN ADVANCE:*

a) Foundation footings, forms and reinforcement, if applicable. Lot pins must be in place at this inspection to assure set back requirements are met. If the pins are not there, or they cannot be verified, the construction will not be approved or allowed to continue. DO NOT POUR CONCRETE UNTIL THE ABOVE HAS BEEN APPROVED.

b) Foundation – insulation, waterproofing, and drainage, prior to back-filling.

c) Structural – rough frame, electrical and plumbing prior to covering.

d) Inspection of the heating system and/or wood burning stove. All underground fuel tanks and piping must be inspected prior to back-filling.

e) Final inspection.

Certificate of Occupancy

You may not use or occupy a building or structure, in whole or in part, until Certificate of Occupancy has been issued. You must forward the Certificate of Occupancy request (part of the Building Permit Application) to the Building Inspector at the Town Administrator's Office, 300 Rt. 10 S, Grantham, NH 03753, at least 10 days prior to issuance.

If you have any questions or wish to contact any of the above mentioned departments, please call:

- *Building Inspector.....863-6021*
- *Town Administrator's Office.....863-6021*

The Town is presently using the "New Hampshire Build Code", copies of which are available for viewing at the Grantham Town Hall, Town Administrator's Office."

RECOMMENDED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE PLANNING BOARD

YES 294 NO 142
PASSED BY OFFICIAL BALLOT

ARTICLE 3 – Petitioned – Official Ballot Voting (SB2)

"Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Grantham on the second Tuesday of March?"

By Petition; Special Warrant Article; (3/5 majority vote required)

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

YES 99 NO 349

ARTICLE 4 – Purchase of Recreation Land and Facility

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred seventy-five thousand dollars **($475,000)** for the purchase of Grantham Tax Map 241 Lots 5 & 6 for the use as town recreation and to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred forty thousand dollars ($140,000) from the Ball Field Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of three hundred thirty-five thousand dollars ($335,000) to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Pillsbury to speak to this article. Selectman Pillsbury stated that he was disappointed last year when the proposed land purchase for ball fields did not pass. We have the opportunity to buy something now that offers more options.

The Moderator recognized Richard Anderson, member of the Ball Field Committee, to comment. He thanked the Selectmen for following up on the proposed purchase of this property. He feels this property fulfills the wishes brought forth from a survey given to the residents of Grantham last July at Old Home Day. Mr. Anderson said that the town has to own the land before the Ball Field Committee can apply for grants and have fundraisers. The Moderator recognized Cynthia Whitney who asked what contingencies were part of the sale of this property. Administrator Stearns answered that the sale of the land was contingent on article 4 passing at Town Meeting. When Ms. Whitney asked about flooding Administrator Stearns showed a map, via power point, that displayed the area along the brook that was in the 100 year floodplain. Ms. Whitney voiced concern over increased vehicle traffic, the speed of that traffic, and the tax impact of removing the property from the tax rolls. Scott Treitsch was recognized next and he said that his property is right next to the proposed town recreation property. He stated his concern about the noise, traffic, parking and costs of building and maintaining the fields.

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 5 – General Government
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$865,137** to defray the cost of **General Government** operations.

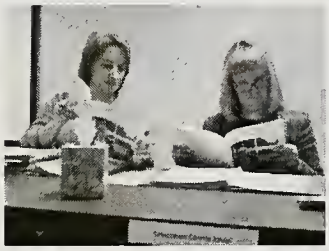
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	**Budget 2007/08**	**Proposed 2008/09**
Selectmen's Office	119,884	153,725
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	93,436	97,700
Supervisors of the Checklist	7,901	7,906
Financial Administration	76,499	62,000
Tax Maps/Assessing	40,000	30,000
Legal	15,000	15,000
Personnel Administration	309,482	358,450
Planning Board	8,200	7,800
Zoning Board of Adjustment	3,750	3,400
General Government Building	84,200	81,500
Archives Building	4,200	6,850
Cemeteries	15,000	15,000
Insurance	31,000	23,000
Regional Associations	2,750	2,806
TOTAL	**811,302**	**865,137**

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones to speak to this article. Selectman Jones introduced an amendment to article 5; Amend Town Clerk/Tax Collector Proposed budget amount for 2008/09 from $97,700 to $100,400, an increase of $2,700, if article 3, Official Ballot Voting, passes. Official Ballot Voting will increase the cost of ballot machine memory card programming, increase the number of ballots printed and increase postage expenses. The educated estimate of increase is $2,700. The amendment was moved and seconded. **AMENDMENT PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.**

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

Geraldine Moulton; Mary Pillsbury


Town Administrator Tina Stearns; Selectman Connie Jones

ARTICLE 6 – Public Safety
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **$545,961** to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2007/08	Proposed 2008/09
Police Department	357,936	376,329
FAST Squad	51,053	52,037
Fire Department	110,668	100,220
Forest Fire	375	375
Building Inspection	5,150	5,500
Emergency Management	10,050	11,500
TOTAL	**535,232**	**545,961**

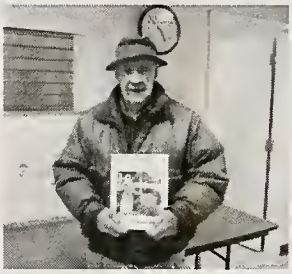
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 7 – Public Works
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$633,780** to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2007/08	Proposed 2008/09
Highway Administration	157,917	162,280
Highway Maintenance	129,000	138,000
Street Lights	2,600	3,000
Transfer Station	130,950	141,000
Waste Disposal	185,000	182,500
Landfill Monitoring	8,000	7,000
TOTAL	**613,467**	**633,780**

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE


Allen Walker

ARTICLE 8 – Health and Welfare
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$21,263** to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2007/08	Proposed 2008/09
Boarding Animals	1,000	1,000
Community Services	11,832	12,763
Town General Assistance	7,500	7,500
TOTAL	**20,332**	**21,263**

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 9 – Culture and Recreation
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$196,513** for **Culture and Recreation**.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2007/08	Proposed 2008/09
Recreation	23,400	25,775
Dunbar Free Library	141,274	146,803
Activities	21,800	23,435
Archives	500	500
TOTAL	**186,974**	**196,513**

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 10 – Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes
It was moved and seconded:"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$115,720** for **Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes**.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2007/08	Proposed 2008/09
Conservation Commission	1,600	1,100
Bond Payment	135,000	65,000
Bond Interest	59,963	49,520
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	100	100
TOTAL	**196,663**	**115,720**

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 11 – Capital Reserve Funds
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$86,000** to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2007/08	Proposed 2008/09
Fire Department Capital Reserve	25,000	25,000
Ball Field Capital Reserve	100,000	0
Highway Equip Capital Reserve	25,000	30,000
Town Office Equip Capital Reserve	1,500	1,000
Transfer Station Capital Reserve	10,000	10,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve	0	20,000
TOTAL	**161,500**	**86,000**

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones to speak to the article. The moderator then recognized Shannon Hastings Fox. Ms. Fox suggested that it would be prudent to put money into the Ball Field Capital Reserve and introduced an amendment; to add $50,000 toward the Ball Field Capital Reserve Fund. It was moved and seconded. A hand count was taken. Amendment did not pass. Yes 86 No 165

The Moderator called for a vote on article 11 as originally written.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 12 – Police Department Cruiser
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars **($33,000)** for the purchase of an additional cruiser for the Police Department.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

The Moderator announced that there was a petition asking for a secret ballot for this article. She then recognized Selectman Haddock to speak to the article. The Selectman asked Chief Lary to speak. Chief Lary stated that the police vehicles that were purchased last year have been putting on about 3400 miles per month. Putting an additional cruiser on duty would help cut the mileage back. This will increase the trade-in value of the 2 cruisers when they are traded in.

YES 130 NO 125

PASSED BY MAJORITY PAPER BALLOT

ARTICLE 13 – Fire Truck
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred forty thousand dollars **($340,000)** to purchase a new fire truck and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The remainder of two hundred forty thousand dollars ($240,000) to come from taxation.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith asked Michael Benoit to speak to this article. He commented that Engine 3, 22 years old, has gone beyond the replacement recommendation of 20 years. An inspection done by Valley Fire Equipment shows that it will cost $50,000 to repair increasing rust and other issues. This vehicle will combine a rescue truck with the fire truck.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 14 – Fire Department Jaws of Life Tool Replacement
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty- two thousand dollars **($22,000)** to purchase a new Jaws of Life Tool and authorize the withdrawal of twenty-two thousand dollars ($22,000) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. *No amount to be raised from taxation.*

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 15 – Transfer Station Containers
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars **($15,000)** to purchase Transfer Station Compactor Containers and authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) from the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. *No amount to be raised from taxation.*

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 16 – Dunbar Free Library Windows
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars **($12,000)** for the replacement of the 12 double hung windows in the original portion of the Dunbar Free Library.

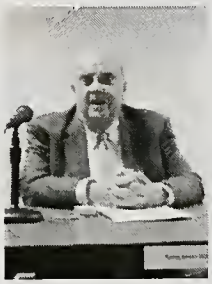
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 17 – Establish Dunbar Free Library Capital Reserve Fund
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a future addition to the Dunbar Free Library and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars **($50,000)** to be placed in this fund.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith asked Selectman Jones to speak to the article. She thought it would be smart to put $50,000 into the Capital Reserve Fund. Donna Stamper said the town is growing and space is needed in the library. Phil Schaefer wondered whether there would be space available for an addition and parking. Donna Stamper said there is room behind the building for an addition approximately the same size as the last addition.


Selectman Harold Haddock Jr

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 18 – Woodland Heights
It was moved and seconded: To see if the town will vote to accept Woodlands Heights as a Class V road, such acceptance to be final upon the completion of necessary action of the Board of Selectmen once it has received approval of the as-built drawings, drainage easements from all property owners and the Selectmen are satisfied that the road has been brought up to standards set by the Board for Woodland Heights.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Haddock who invited a representative of the Woodland Heights Association to speak. Richard Kramer being recognized by the Moderator stated that he was never contacted by the Association concerning the private road probably because he has road access to his property from Route 114. He is not inclined to give drainage easement rights because it would reduce his ability to expand his property due to the rights the town would now have with the road being a public road. Dan LaHaye, President of the Woodland Heights Association, stated that he did not know that Mr. Kramer had any interest in the road since he has access from Route 114. He said that the road is about 1/8 mile in length and would not pose a great deal of maintenance or cost to the Town. Selectman Pillsbury said that this development was approved by the Planning Board and the road was built to standards. Now we have to make sure that everything is in order. If the Association did everything they were required to do there is no question that it is up to the Town to take over this road. Phil Schaefer asked what the implications of the acceptance of this road were to the Town. Selectman Haddock said the Town would have to plow in the winter, keep the road surface up to grade throughout the year. Joseph Newcomb, Road Agent, stated that any road that the town takes over is going to increase the maintenance costs even if it is 1/8th mile long. This road is on a pretty steep grade going up. There are 15 houses on the road and the more houses the more traffic. Mr. Newcomb recommended that the road be paved. Selectman Jones commented that she wanted it to be very clear that we must get drainage easements from every property owner on that road before the town can take it over.

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 19 – Transfer Property to Grantham School District
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to allow the conveyance of +/- 24 acres of the proposed subdivision for Tax Map 233 Lot 075, currently known as 75 Learning Drive, to the Grantham School District.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

The proposed subdivision will split the existing 35 acre lot into three (3) lots: School = 24 acres; Fire Department = 3 acres; Memorial Cemetery = 8 acres

The Moderator asked Selectman Pillsbury to address this article. Selectman Pillsbury stated that this was just a matter of transferring property to the school so they could take care of their own property. If the school wants to do something with the property it should be up to the School Board and not the Selectmen. The Moderator recognized Rick Anderson. He asked who owned the gymnasium. Selectman Haddock said the Town owned the gymnasium but it is leased to the school and the school has control over its operation. The land under the gymnasium will belong to the school.

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 20 – Property Tax Resolution
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor:

Resolved: We the citizens of Grantham, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property

taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

This article was also brought in by petition with over the required 25 signatures.

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones who commented that the State of New Hampshire has what is considered a structural deficit in the budget laws. The increases in what must be made, by law, every year exceed the income that we receive from present fees and taxes. Costs are pushed down to the County, which in turn get pushed down to our property taxes. With no change in this policy we are going to see higher and higher property taxes. This article will let them know that we are concerned about our property taxes and we are watching how they are voting. Ken Purdy said that the very focus of this article is to gain the attention of our State Legislatures. Robert McCarthy said the article gives the legislature a message saying we have to have a conversation about taxes in the state, therefore we are only asking in this resolution to reject the Pledge for no new taxes and to have a dialogue about the tax structuring system. The voice vote was inconclusive and Moderator Smith called for a hand vote.

YES 97 NO 65

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE

ARTICLE 21 – NH/VT Solid Waste Project Funds
It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to use any funds received as part of the demise of the NH/VT Solid Waste Project for obtaining equipment for the Grantham Transfer Station.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 22 – End of Meeting
It was moved and seconded: To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The honor of being the year's Hog Reeves was awarded to Tim Pillsbury and Michelle Buhler. The Fence Viewers for the year are Rita Lane and David Hill. The Moderator recognized Dan McClory who commended the Selectboard for moving the Town Meeting to 5:00 pm. The turnout indicates that it was a good idea. Shannon Hastings Fox thanked Joe Newcomb and Jeff Hastings for doing a great job on the town roads this winter. Moderator Smith called Donna Stamper to the podium to accept recognition for being the first recipient of the Lilla McLain Bradley Award for her efforts on behalf of community service organizations, especially her role in The National Alliance on Mental Illness in NH. Donna received a well deserved round of applause from the audience.

There being no further business or reports, Moderator Smith declared the 232nd Town Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

A True Copy Attest:

Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk
March 20, 2008

Donna Stamper; Victoria Smith

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REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

Date of Meeting: March 11, 2008

Town/City Of: Grantham County: Sullivan

Mailing Address: 300 Rte 10 S, Grantham, NH 03753

Phone #: 603-863-6021 Fax #: 603-863-3961 E-Mail: admin@granthamnh.net

Certificate of Appropriations

(To be Completed After each Annual and Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Governing Body (Selectmen)

Please sign in ink.

Date: 3-12-2008

Harold Haddock, Jr.

Constance A. Jones

Warren Kimball

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NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	5	153725	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	5	105606	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	5	62000	
4152	Revaluation of Property	5	30000	
4153	Legal Expense	5	15000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	5	358450	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	5	11200	
4194	General Government Buildings	5	88350	
4195	Cemeteries	5	15000	
4196	Insurance	5	23000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	5	2806	
4199	Other General Government			
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	6	376329	
4215-4219	Ambulance	6	52037	
4220-4229	Fire	6	100595	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	6	5500	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	6	11500	
4299	Other (Including Communications)			
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	7	162280	
4312	Highways & Streets	7	138000	
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting	7	3000	
4319	Other			
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	7	141000	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	7	182500	
4325	Solid Waste Clean up	7	7000	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other			
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration			
4414	Pest Control	8	1000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	8	12763	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.			
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	8	7500	
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	9	25775	
4550-4559	Library	9	146803	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	9	23435	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	9	500	
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources	10	1100	
4619	Other Conservation			-
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	10	65000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	10	49520	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note	10	100	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	4	475000	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	12,13,14,15	410000	
4903	Buildings	16	12000	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs			
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Proprietary Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric			
	Airport-			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	11, 17	136000	
4916	To Exp. Tr.Fund except #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		3397524	

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2008 Tax Rate Calculation
Grantham

Gross Appropriations	3,411,374		
Less: Revenues	1,653,276		
Less: Shared Revenues	3,670		
Add: Overlay	32,277		
War Service Credits	84,500		
Net Town Appropriation		1,871,205	
Special Adjustment		0	
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			1,871,205

TOWN RATE 3.32

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)		5,424,384	
Regional School Apportionment		0	
Less: Adequate Education Grant		0	
State Education Taxes		(1,175,079)	
Approved School(s) Tax Effort			4,249,305

LOCAL SCHOOL RATE 7.55

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x		$2.14	
549,102,503			1,175,079
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
560,520,207			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
Pay to State		0	

STATE SCHOOL RATE 2.10

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County		1,406,580	
Less: Shared Revenues		(1,750)	
Approved County Tax Effort			1,404,830

COUNTY RATE 2.49

Total Property Taxes Assessed	8,700,419
Less: War Service Credits	(84,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	436,054
Total Property Tax Commitment	**9,051,973**

TOTAL RATE 15.46

Three Year Property Tax Rate Review

Tax Year			
	2006	**2007**	**2008**
Net Town Appropriation	1,144,328	1,554,936	1,871,205
Municipal Rate	*2.08*	*2.80*	*3.32*
Net School Appropriation	3,678,465	3,883,632	4,249,305
Local School Rate	*6.70*	*6.98*	*7.55*
State Education Taxes	1,235,764	1,204,011	1,175,079
Excess State Educ Taxes	0	0	0
State Education Rate	*2.26*	*2.17*	*2.10*
Combined School Rates	*8.96*	*9.15*	*9.65*
Net County Appropriation	1,088,411	1,150,514	1,404,830
County Rate	*1.98*	*2.07*	*2.49*
Village District Commitment	529,165	523,622	436,054
Village District Rate	1.34	1.32	1.09
Total Tax Rate - Grantham	**13.02**	**14.02**	**15.46**
Total Tax Rate - Eastman	**14.36**	**15.34**	**16.55**
Property Tax Commitment	7,599,133	8,226,704	9,051,973
Net Assessed Valuation	549,252,489	556,187,700	563,123,311

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2008

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,756,717	$ 99,492	$ 2,856,209
Investments	895,122	827,780	1,722,902
Taxes receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible	1,827,105	-	1,827,105
Interfund receivable	21,246	27,699	48,945
Tax deeded property subject to resale	20,435	-	20,435
Prepaid items	20,999	-	20,999
Total assets	$ 5,541,624	$ 954,971	$ 6,496,595
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	$ 57,095	$ -	$ 57,095
Contract payable	49,894	-	49,894
Intergovernmental payable	3,457,200	-	3,457,200
Interfund payable	27,699	21,246	48,945
Deferred revenue	774,028	-	774,028
Total liabilities	4,365,916	21,246	4,387,162
Fund balances:			
Reserved for special purposes	339,030	362,124	701,154
Reserved for tax deeded property	20,435	-	20,435
Unreserved, undesignated, reported in:			
General fund	816,243	-	816,243
Special revenue funds	-	571,601	571,601
Total fund balances	1,175,708	933,725	2,109,433
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 5,541,624	$ 954,971	$ 6,496,595

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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SCHEDULE 4
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2008

	Special Revenue Funds					Capital Project Fund	Permanent Fund	
	Reclamation Trust	Dunbar Free Library	Conservation Commission	Expendable Trust	Capital Reserve	Library Building	Cemetery Care	Total
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	$ -	$ 35,568	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 60,789	$ 3,135	$ 99,492
Investments	46,193	249,508	77,767	12,811	394,505	-	46,996	827,780
Interfund receivable	-	8,032	5,200	-	14,467	-	-	27,699
Total assets	$ 46,193	$ 293,108	$ 82,967	$ 12,811	$ 408,972	$ 60,789	$ 50,131	$ 954,971
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Interfund payable	$ 21,246	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 21,246
Fund balances:								
Reserved for special purposes	-	251,204	-	-	-	60,789	50,131	362,124
Unreserved, undesignated	24,947	41,904	82,967	12,811	408,972	-	-	571,601
Total fund balances	24,947	293,108	82,967	12,811	408,972	60,789	50,131	933,725
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 46,193	$ 293,108	$ 82,967	$ 12,811	$ 408,972	$ 60,789	$ 50,131	$ 954,971

Schedule of Town Owned Property

Location	Map/Lot	Purpose/Use	Acres	Valuation
Al Smith Road	207-004	Vacant - Ella Smith Lot	2.70	11,500
Route 10 North	207-005	Vacant - Al Smith Rd Corner Lot	2.10	17,800
Croydon Turnpike	209-001	Vacant	72.0	90,700
Miller Pond Road	210-003	Vacant - Kimball Land - Town Forest	49.0	61,000
Off Meriden Road	210-004	Vacant - Wallis Land - Town Forest	0.63	1,000
Croydon Turnpike	210-005	Vacant - Kimball Land - Town Forest	16.0	30,600
Croydon Turnpike	210-006	Vacant - Minister Lot - Town Forest	59.0	68,200
Croydon Turnpike	210-007	Vacant - Wallis Land - Town Forest	31.0	45,600
Croydon Turnpike	210-008	Vacant - Vette Davis Land - Town Forest	80.0	82,500
Croydon Turnpike	210-009	Vacant - Minister Lot - Town Forest	20.0	35,300
Miller Pond Road	210-010	Vacant - Kimball Land - Town Forest	55.0	74,200
Miller Pond Road	211-012	Vacant - Lucius Smith Lot	29.0	73,300
49 Hemlock Lane	211-023	Vacant House Lot	1.0	71,800
12 Tall Timber Drive	211-069	Vacant - School Bus Turnaround	0.86	13,600
48 High Pond Road	212-090	Vacant	0.80	20,000
82 Anderson Pond Road	213-032	Vacant	0.98	13,000
38 Anderson Pond Road	213-053	Vacant	0.83	25,000
3 Shore Road	213-081	Vacant	0.69	14,500
400 Road 'Round the Lake	213-119	Vacant	0.85	20,500
18 Catamount Road	214-030	Vacant	1.60	19,100
28 Spring Valley Drive	214-044	Vacant	1.26	13,500
3 Sugar Hill Road	215-137	Vacant	1.29	33,300
Burpee Hill Road	216-041	Hastings Cemetery	0.10	6,800
16 Bobbin Hill	216-089	Vacant	0.71	14,600
Croydon Turnpike	218-002	Vacant	37.0	67,400
Route 10 North	221-002	Vacant	0.74	13,300
Burpee Hill Road	221-058	Brown Cemetery	0.24	10,800
16 Deer Run	223-006	Vacant	1.97	24,200
17 Brookridge Drive	224-001	Vacant	1.14	18,600
17 Hummingbird Hill	225-044	Vacant	0.98	18,000
35 Walton Heath Drive	225-215	Vacant	0.69	87,400
Route 10 North	226-026	Brookside Park	0.17	7,500
Route 10 North	226-027	Brookside Park	13.8	45,700
New Aldrich Road	227-023	Vacant	1.3	300
300 Route 10 South	233-004	Town Buildings	9.2	1,234,600
75 Learning Drive	233-075	Village School/Cemetery	35.0	3,253,800
13 Troon Drive	234-060	Vacant	1.0	22,800
34 Greensward Drive	234-099	Vacant	0.91	21,400
66 Longwood Drive	234-120	Vacant	0.61	21,400
Route 114	235-142	Vacant	6.8	5,800
1081 Route 114	234-016	Closed Landfill Site	6.64	54,100
1150 Route 114	235-030	Transfer Station	31.78	56,900
Route 114	236-004	Vacant	4.9	50,200
Stoney Brook Road	236-021	Hilldale Cemetery	1.80	50,500
301 Route 10 South	237-005	Dunbar Free Library	0.26	328,300
Route 10 South	237-032	Church Parking Lot	0.15	18,600
400 Route 10 South	237-033	Church Parking Lot	0.15	34,600
Dunbar Hill Road	237-061	Dunbar Cemetery	0.31	43,300
Shedd Road	241-005	Recreation Park	12.85	80,700
119 Shedd Road	241-006	Recreation Park	10.25	546,300
Stoney Brook/Sanborn Hill	243-009	Vacant	3.5	35,400

SCHEDULE I
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Taxes:			
Property	$ 1,420,469	$ 1,478,776	$ 58,307
Yield	4,000	2,358	(1,642)
Interest and penalties on taxes	25,000	28,719	3,719
Total taxes	1,449,469	1,509,853	60,384
Licenses, permits and fees:			
Motor vehicle permit fees	560,000	593,039	33,039
Building permits	15,000	12,043	(2,957)
Other	10,000	16,673	6,673
Total licenses, permits and fees	585,000	621,755	36,755
Intergovernmental:			
State:			
Shared revenue block grant	9,093	9,093	-
Meals and rooms distribution	103,409	103,409	-
Highway block grant	48,999	50,482	1,483
Landfill closure grant	15,000	11,755	(3,245)
Other	-	2,816	2,816
Total intergovernmental	176,501	177,555	1,054
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	60,000	42,533	(17,467)
Miscellaneous:			
Sale of municipal property	-	1,250	1,250
Interest on investments	125,000	99,158	(25,842)
Rent of property	-	950	950
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	-	2,040	2,040
Contributions and donations	-	200	200
Other	20,000	96,306	76,306
Total miscellaneous	145,000	199,904	54,904
Other financing sources:			
Transfers in:			
Nonmajor funds	207,000	197,533	(9,467)
Total revenues and other financing sources	2,622,970	$ 2,749,133	$ 126,163
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce tax rate	300,000		
Total revenues, other financing sources and use of fund balance	$ 2,922,970		

SCHEDULE 2
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Current:				
General government:				
Executive	$ -	$ 119,884	$ 103,361	$ 16,523
Election and registration	-	101,337	98,541	2,796
Financial administration	-	76,499	75,253	1,246
Revaluation of property	-	40,000	23,241	16,759
Legal	-	15,000	3,911	11,089
Personnel administration	-	309,482	309,890	(408)
Planning and zoning	-	11,950	4,108	7,842
General government buildings	-	88,400	91,463	(3,063)
Cemeteries	-	15,000	5,054	9,946
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	-	31,000	18,521	12,479
Advertising and regional associations	-	2,750	2,731	19
Other	-	-	112	(112)
Total general government	-	811,302	736,186	75,116
Public safety:				
Police	-	357,936	337,692	20,244
Ambulance	-	51,053	42,693	8,360
Fire	-	111,043	91,793	19,250
Building inspection	-	5,150	2,843	2,307
Emergency management	-	10,050	8,746	1,304
Total public safety	-	535,232	483,767	51,465
Highways and streets:				
Highways and streets	-	286,917	276,058	10,859
Street lighting	-	2,600	2,366	234
Total highways and streets	-	289,517	278,424	11,093
Sanitation:				
Solid waste collection	-	130,950	112,592	18,358
Solid waste disposal	-	185,000	127,560	57,440
Landfill monitoring	-	8,000	5,691	2,309
Total sanitation	-	323,950	245,843	78,107
Health:				
Pest control	-	1,000	-	1,000
Health agencies and hospitals	-	11,832	11,814	18
Total health	-	12,832	11,814	1,018
Welfare:				
Direct assistance	-	7,500	2,476	5,024
Culture and recreation:				
Parks and recreation	-	23,400	23,388	12
Patriotic purposes	-	21,800	21,786	14
Other	-	500	134	366
Total culture and recreation	-	45,700	45,308	392
Conservation	-	1,600	6,107	(4,507)
Debt service:				
Principal of long-term debt	-	135,000	135,000	-
Interest on long-term debt	-	59,963	53,800	6,163
Interest on tax anticipation notes	-	100	-	100
Total debt service	-	195,063	188,800	6,263

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SCHEDULE 2 (Continued)
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Capital outlay:				
Town archives	-	-	444	(444)
Grantham Village School bridge	90,035	-	77,992	12,043
Police cruiser	-	23,500	26,933	(3,433)
Police SUV	-	27,000	28,423	(1,423)
Highway backhoe	-	72,000	91,033	(19,033)
F.A.S.T. vehicle	-	145,000	143,736	1,264
Transfer station building	-	60,000	66,156	(6,156)
Highway garage addition	-	70,000	68,301	1,699
Total capital outlay	90,035	397,500	503,018	(15,483)
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out:				
Nonmajor funds:				
Dunbar Free Library	-	141,274	141,274	-
Capital reserve	-	161,500	161,500	-
Total other financing uses	-	302,774	302,774	-
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses and encumbrances	$ 90,035	$ 2,922,970	$ 2,804,517	$ 208,488

SCHEDULE 3
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, beginning		$ 1,116,604
Changes:		
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce 2007 tax rate		(300,000)
2007-08 Budget summary:		
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	$ 126,163	
Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	208,488	
2007-08 Budget surplus		334,651
Increase (decrease) in fund balance reserved for inventory		-
Increase in fund balance reserved for special purposes		(335,012)
Increase (decrease) in fund balance reserved for tax deeded property		-
Increase (decrease) in fund balance designated for contingency		-
Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, ending		$ 816,243

Board of Selectmen

We were all extremely excited when on Monday, Sept. 29, 2007 at 8:35AM the pedestrian bridge was officially opened with a ribbon cutting ceremony. A big Thank You to Mr. Dave Hastings and Green Links Construction for the design and construction of this very important safety "Link". The entire population of the Grantham Village School and interested citizens attended this momentous occasion. The school held a contest to name the bridge and the winning entry was the "Gold Hawk Bridge". The highlight was when all the children and teachers trooped across the bridge to the other side.

The main purpose of this bridge is for an emergency foot access from the school across Sawyer Brook to Rt. 10 and the Town Hall. This was put to a test on Sept. 30th when a mock emergency evacuation was held and the children were brought over to the Town Hall in record time. This new access is much more prudent than walking down Learning Drive to Rt. 114 then crossing Rt. 10 up to Dunbar Hill Road to the Town Hall for emergency pick up.

Unfortunately it has been reported to this office that parents are using the Fire Department parking lot as a drop off point for their school children. This in not appropriate and is discouraged not only by the Fire Department but the Board of Selectmen as well.

We have been very encouraged by the usage of the Grantham Ball Field / Recreation Activity Center by Recreation Director Marcia Googins and Activities Director Laurie Field. The Parks and Recreation Committee have been meeting regularly and their biggest priority is fund raising as this project will continue to be a work in progress for some years to come. Fortunately we have a solid base to build on and we are certain the citizens of Grantham are up for the challenge.

Our Emergency Management Director Bob Osgood has been working very diligently on preparing Grantham for future emergencies be it a pandemic, chemical spill on 189 or an ice storm. We have updated our Emergency Manual, which is mandatory, if we ever need to apply for resources and state assistance. We have, over the past two years, asked for volunteers to help with our emergency program and to date response has been dismal. When a disaster occurs everyone expects an instant response.

Unfortunately that is not the time, at the last minute, to offer help. As with any program designed for emergency response the volunteers need to be competent in their area of expertise and ready to act as a team. This must be like a well-oiled machine where everyone knows what is expected of him or her. So, now is the time for those who can, to step up to the plate and learn what needs to be done and where you can be of help. Most of our problems seem to stem from long lasting power outages. When this occurs during ice storms the loss of electricity is compounded by the loss of heat, which can cause countless problems. Many homes are equipped with generators but the majority of homes are not. Also during a power outage we could lose phone communication. In these cases we would need manpower to go knocking on doors if need be to check on citizens and provide information. The "Town" does not have enough personnel to take care of this on its own. We do not have the funds to "hire" personnel thus volunteers are needed.

It is our responsibility to coordinate the emergency response program; it is your responsibility to be aware of what you need to have on hand and where you need to be. We distribute materials that explain what emergency supplies need to be in your home. How many of you are prepared?

We are certainly aware of the difficult financial burdens felt by our citizens. Consequently, we have tried to present a responsible budget and are not asking for superfluous items. We encourage you to attend Town Meeting and express your views. The Selectmen's job is to carry out the actions taken by the town's legislative branch, the Town Meeting.

"Don't find fault...find a remedy."
Henry Ford

Harold Haddock, Jr.
Constance A. Jones
Warren Kimball

Town Administrator

A year of changes:

- The Board of Selectmen changed Town Meeting time to 5pm in order to allow the working people the opportunity to attend. Great turnout! Hopefully, this trend will continue and more residents will get involved with the operation of the town.
- A new selectman was elected in March. Warren Kimball brings a level head and a great knowing of Grantham to one of the most important seats in town.
- Long-time Police Chief Russell Lary retired July 1st. I enjoyed a great working relationship with Russ and, though we did not always agree on every subject, we encouraged each other to look at things from a different perspective.
- The Town Archives Building received a much needed refinishing of the hard wood floors. Thank you to the Grantham Historical Society for pitching in to make this building more conducive for the needs of both the Archivist and Historical Society.
- Old Home Day was again a fun-filled day! Connie, Martha and I enjoyed our ride through the parade in our little buggy driven by my son Jeremiah. Ozzie's Band provided wonderful music that was heard throughout the grounds. A great way to celebrate our wonderful town. Outstanding job Laurie Field!
- The voters allowed the purchase of the Recreation Park property on Shedd Road and I would like to thank the Leonard Wien Family for working with the town to make this possible. The blueberries were a huge hit and the town intends on allowing "honor system" picking for many years to come.
- For years Ella Reney wrote the local column in the Argus-Champion and upon her passing, Lorie McClory picked it up so the local Grantham News would still be reported on. When the Argus closed their doors Lorie and I collaborated so that she continues to report and write the column and I post it on the Grantham List Serve. Being a small town we still like to know who had babies and who the cross is lit for. Thank you Lorie for keeping this going.
- Halloween was a blast! We gathered on the front stoop of the Town Hall to hand out candy to the many children that came by. Everyone seemed to enjoy seeing the Wizard of Oz characters...I know I enjoyed making the Wicked Witch disappear. Make sure to stop by every Halloween.
- Presidential Election had an amazing turnout. Rita Eigenbrode, Cindy Towle and the rest of the election crew did a top-notch job handling the crowds and making sure the day went smooth for the voters.
- Town established a drop-off point for food bank donations in the Town Hall Foyer. The residents of Grantham have been so generous in their donations that we are making weekly trips to the Newport Food Bank and Lebanon Listen Center. Thank you all for helping your neighbors!

Martha Menard; Tina Stearns

Phew! I think that hits most of the changes taken place over the last year. I thank the town's building supervisor, Bob Osgood for the job he does. My highway buddies, Joe & Jeff continue to maintain the town roads; keep up the great work! Martha & Melissa...you both add joy to my office just by being who you are. I also am fortunate to work for selectmen who each add their own experiences and history to the betterment of Grantham.

*If you can get through Martha...*my door remains open,

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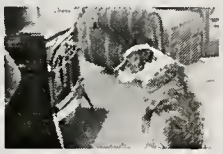
Tina M Stearns, Town Administrator



"Any activity becomes creative when the doer cares about doing it right, or better."
- John Updike

Martha Menard; Melissa White

Town Clerk

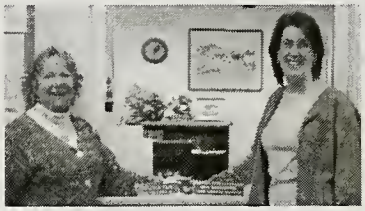
2007-2008 was a busy time, preparing for the Presidential Primary, Town Meeting, State Primary and Presidential election. There were many hours and many people involved in the success of Election Day procedures. Thanks to the Supervisor's of the Checklist for an outstanding job in updating the Town of Grantham voter checklist and the thorough manner in which they registered new voters each time they were in session Thanks to the ballot clerks and ballot counters for a job extremely well done. Thanks to our Selectmen for willingly involving themselves in the election procedure. Thanks to the Moderator and Assistant Moderator for being so knowledgeable and running smooth elections. Thanks to our Town Administrator for making herself and her office staff available to assist the Town Clerk.

During my conversations with other NH Town Clerks I realize how fortunate I am to work with a Selectboard and Administration that is willing to work with me. Thank you.

The Town Clerk's office is now open five days a week to make it more convenient for residents of Grantham to register a vehicle, license a dog, obtain a Vital Record certificate and register to vote. Cindy and I also do the State portion of vehicle registrations for other towns, such as Springfield, who are not Municipal Agents for the State. On the Tax Collector's side of the office you can obtain tax information and pay tax bills.

Cindy and I look forward to providing you with professional and friendly service in all your dealings with us.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Eigenbrode
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Cynthia Towle
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

JULY 1, 2007 TO JUNE 30, 2008

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	$587,585.00
Municipal Agent Fees	9,710.00
Reclamation Trust Fund	8,113.50
Reclamation Administration Fee	1,731.00
Dog Licenses & Fines	3,730.50
State Dog Fund	1,552.50
Marriage Licenses	495.00
Vital Statistics Copies	788.00
UCC Filings	645.00
Other Revenue	460.00
TOTAL	$614,809.00

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of _GRANTHAM_____ Year Ending 6/30/2008_____

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES- BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year 2007 of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES 2006	2005	PRIOR
			(PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	1,913 796.88		
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx			
Land Use Change	#3120	xxxxxx	8850		
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx			
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx			
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx			
Adjustments (Cressey & Stitt)		xxxxxx	3944.17		

TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			
Property Taxes	#3110	8,602,856.27	
Supplmental	#3180	1,081 66	
Land Use Change	#3120		
Yield Taxes	#3185	2606.15	
Adjusted Charges	#3187		
Utility Charges	#3189		

FOR DRA USE ONLY

OVERPAYMENT:					
Property Taxes Credit	#3110	15,621.63			
Property Taxes Refund	#3180	13,628.86	13564.57	509 83	
Tax Lien Costs	#3120	1410.5			
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Current Penalties	#3187	664			
Adjustments		5.49	1425.95		
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	5777 24	9220.87		
DD CK FEE	#3190	25	25		
TOTAL DEBITS		8,643,676.80	1,950,727.74	509.83	

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU

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Melissa White; Rita Eigenbrode; Tina Stearns; Cindy Towle

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of GRANTHAM Year Ending 6/30/2008

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year 2007	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS) 2006	2005 prior	
Property Taxes	6,896,904.23	1,925,124.13		
Tax Lien Cost	1410.5			
Land Use Change		8850		
Yield Taxes	2357.52			
Interest (include lien conversion)	5777.24	9220.87		
Adjustments		1425.95		
Penalties	664			
Previous Year Prepay(included in line 1)		5822.07		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)	84928.15			
Bad Check Fee	25	25		

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	6,634.04	259.72	509.83	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Adjustment				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
CU Adjustment				
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	111.22			

UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	1,729,544.42	0		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	248.63			
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
TOTAL CREDITS	8,643,676.80	$1,950,727.74	509.83	

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of GRANTHAM____ Year Ending 6/30/2008_

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES 2006	2005	PRIOR
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		54,247.36	25,263.95	1,101.94
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	91,426.92			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	777.77	3,942.47	7,378.56	
REFUND				
TOTAL DEBITS	92,204.69	$58,189.83	$32,642.51	$1,101.94

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES 2006	2005	PRIOR
Redemptions		10,409.49	23,352.71	19,043.98	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	777.77	3,942.47	7,378.56	
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		361.1	55.29		
Liens Deeded to Municipality			256.79	249.6	
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	#1110	80,656.33	30,582.57	5,970.37	1101.94
TOTAL CREDITS		$92,204.69	$58,189.83	$32,642.51	$1,101.94

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? YES _____

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE_____DATE_____

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UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX LIENS
Year Ended June 30, 2008

Property Owner	Map-Lot	Property Address	2008	2007	06 & Prior	*TOTALS*
Ashbury Properties Limited	216-114-000	1 Old Spring Drive	3,377.12	3,193.93		6,571.05
Baker, Karen	243-008-000	Sanborn Hill Road	65.39			
Bard, Rose Marie	226-019-000	161 Yankee Barn Road	136.37	128.36	1,238.24	
Barton, Henry C & Leila M	233-018-000	237 Pillsbury Road	2,898.35	481.42		
Berio, Rich T & Tina M	235-027-011	137 Woodland Heights	1,339.25	904.06		
Coley, Bernard C Trust	225-053-020	20 Niblick Lane	79.05			
Columbia University Trustees	222-210-000	18 Highwood Way	234.25			
Covel, Cynthia A	238-007-000	95 Jericho Road	3,756.92	3,485.97		
Covill, Richard R & Barbara	232-007-000	631 Dunbar Hill Road	3,625.74			
Curtis, Susan J & Devon	234-013-000	2 Fairway Drive	5,972.34			
Daigle, Scott & Michelle	216-062-000	10 Oak Lane	5,396.53			
E&F Development	232-001-000	Grey Ledges Lot Only	9,279.41	4,283.87		
E&F Development	232-001-022	1 Barrister Path	1,712.21	914.21		
E&F Development	232-001-023	2 Barrister Path	1,712.21	1,015.54		
Garland, Peter H & Elizabeth H	214-007-000	25 Catamount Road	10,371.60	9,694.42		
Hautaniemi, Richard & Julia	233-020-004	210 Pillsbury Road	1,525.83			
JRH Holdings, LLC	233-020-002	15 Yankee Barn Road	1,413.77	1,313.00	5,834.07	
Koenke, Bruce C	223-021-000	37 Whitetail Ridge	3,656.18	847.32		
Langevin, Douglas & Isabel	222-212-000	10 Highwood Way	78.82			
Lefebvre, Benjamin	212-118-000	26 High Pond Road	3,457.07	3,232.44		
Longley, Todd E	237-024-001	730 Route 10 South	330.13			
Lutz, Mark J & Jackie M	214-064-000	27 Spring Valley Drive	43.75			
Masteron, Philip & Cheryl	207-006-000	81 Al Smith Road	2,218.75			
McLain, Gary	237-014-000	Route 10 South	40.98			
Partridge, Edward & Deborah	236-055-000	88 Stocker Pond Road		2,403.43		
Powell, Donna Lewin	234-137-000	Heath Lane	1,439.39			
Powell, Harry E	234-135-000	Heath Lane	412.40			
Prime, Elwin W	211-038-000	155 Tall Timber Drive	1,750.71	469.95		
Quidnessett Realty LLC	215-010-019	619 Otter Road		55.12		
Tysor, Marilyn K & Bayard L	222-119-000	24 Slalom Drive	3,197.15			
Underhill Jr, Robert K & Jane B	227-015-000	10 Meadowbrook Road	7,087.91	197.53		
Wood, Steven R	226-013-000	870 Dunbar Hill Road	1,643.32	365.43		
TOTALS:			***$78,252.90***	***$32,986.00***	***$7,072.31***	***$118,311.21***

Please note that not all of these liens are currently outstanding.

TOWN OF GRANTHAM

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 6/30/2008

BEGINNING OF YEAR BALANCE:				
LSB Business Treasury NOW Acct.			$2,226,780.35	
NH PDIP-General Fnd (0001)			$859,810.13	
BEGINNING OF YEAR TOTAL				**$3,086,590.48**
YEARS RECEIPTS:				
From Tax Collector		$8,912,845.30		
From Town Clerk		$615,177.54		
From Town Office and State Grants		$354,968.93		
Transfers from Grantham Cap. Res. Funds		$220,206.00		
Interest Earned.				
LSB Bus. Trea NOW Account	$63,846.48			
NH PDIP-General Fnd (0001)	$35,311.83			
Total Interest Earned:		$99,158.31		
TOTAL YEARS RECEIPTS			$10,202,356.08	
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECEIPTS:				
Bank Fees and Other Charges	($83.70)			
Misc Tax Deposits and Transfers	$389.20			
Bad Check Deposits Returned by Bank	($4,370.88)			
Bad Checks Redeposited	$3,036.28			
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS			($1,029.10)	
TOTALYEARS NET RECEIPTS			**$10,201,326.98**	
YEARS DISBURSEMENTS PER SELECTBOARD ORDERS:				
Accounts Payable		$8,789,926.61		
Payroll and Benefits		$691,280.99		
Federal Tax 941 Electronic Transfer		$156,762.69		
less: Void Checks (stop payment)		($4,218.33)		
TOTAL YEARS DISBURSEMENTS			**$9,633,751.96**	
YEARS NET RECEIPTS OR (DISBURSEMENTS)				**$567,575.02**
END OF YEAR BALANCE				**$3,654,165.50**
YEAR END ACCOUNTS BALANCE RECONCILIATION:				
LSB Business Treasury NOW Account		$2,759,043.54		
NH PDIP-General Fund (0001)		$895,121.96		
YEAR END ACCOUNTS TOTAL				**$3,654,165.50**

NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS:	Balance 6/30/07	Net Transacts.	Interest	Balance 6/30/08
Conservation Comm. - NH PDIP	$66,019.47	$4,303.00	$2,893.74	$73,216.21
Sherwood Forest - NH PDIP	$4,370.85	$0.00	$179.61	$4,550.46
Holbrook Account - LSB Savings	$2,321.34	$0.00	$5.78	$2,327.12
Ronald Hastings - LSB Savings	$1,698.46	$0.00	$4.23	$1,702.69
Reclamation Fund - NH PDIP	$44,962.39	$689.50	$540.78	$46,192.67
Bond - LSB Savings	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Bond - LSB Savings	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00

Submitted By Christopher E. Morris, Treasurer

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

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Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	***PRINCIPAL*** Balance Beginning 06/30/07	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/08
1900-2007	**CEMETERY FUNDS**	Cemeteries	LSB CD/SAV	36,896.91	0.00	0.00	36,896.91
	OTHER TRUST FUNDS:						
1891	Grantham School Fund Sale of Leased	GVS	LSB SAV	623.00	0.00	0.00	623.00
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	Dunbar Free Library	LSB SAV	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
6/18/1985	Glenn Hudson Memorial Fund	Scholarship Fund	LSB CD	2,985.00	0.00	0.00	2,985.00
1/30/1997	JP & MM English Educational Fund	Educ. Excellence	LSB CD/SAV	11,248.43	0.00	0.00	11,248.43
	TOTAL OTHER TRUST FUNDS			15,156.43	0.00	0.00	15,156.43
	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
5/10/1990	Fire Department Apparatus	Fire Trucks, etc.	SRSB CD	144,100.00	25,000.00	70,000.00	99,100.00
7/17/1993	Town Office Equipment [1]	Office Equipment	MBIA 0010	3,471.86	1,500.00	0.00	4,971.86
12/15/1995	Mowers	New Mowers	MBIA 0012	10,500.00	0.00	0.00	10,500.00
12/23/1996	Town Green Fund	Town Green	MBIA 0013	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/24/1997	Village School Paving	Paving Drve/Car Lot	MBIA 0016	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/24/1997	Gym Floor Renovation	Gym Floor Renov.	MBIA 0017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/18/1998	Police Department Console	Radio Equipment	MBIA 0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2/15/2000	Highway Equipment Fund [2]	Public Works	LSB CD	120,000.00	25,000.00	95,206.00	49,794.00
10/31/2002	Vill. Dist. Security Improvement	Improv. Update	MBIA 0026	4,473.78	0.00	4,278.00	195.78
7/17/2003	Transfer Station Equipment	T.S. Equipment	SRSB CD	40,000.00	10,000.00	30,000.00	20,000.00
7/17/2003	Police Vehicles	Police Vehicles	LSB CD	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
10/8/2004	GVS Construction Fund	School Building#SS2	SRSB CD	223,063.96	70,000.00	45,985.39	247,078.57
2/22/2005	Athletic Fields CRF [3]	Athletic Fields	MBIA 0029	35,000.00	100,000.00	0.00	135,000.00
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Communication Systems	Comm. System	MBIA 0034	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist Inventory Hardware	Hardware	MBIA 0033	18,959.19	0.00	2,261.30	16,697.89
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Filter Media	Filter Media	MBIA 0032	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Office Equipment	Office Equipment	MBIA 0031	5,188.00	0.00	2,599.58	2,588.42
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. A. Pond Storage Tank	Storage Tank	MBIA 0030	70,000.00	0.00	0.00	70,000.00
11/28/2005	Vill. Dist. Decomm. Gravel Wells	Gravel Wells	MBIA 0035	35,000.00	0.00	0.00	35,000.00
3/10/2006	Vill. Dist. Well Renovation [4]	Renovation Wells	MBIA 0036	35,000.00	0.00	16,006.06	18,993.94
4/12/2007	Vill. Dist. Vehicle Replacement	Vehicle Replacemt	MBIA 0038	7,000.00	0.00	1,500.00	5,500.00
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			781,756.79	231,500.00	297,836.33	715,420.46

[1] formerly Office Computer CRF; purpose & name changed per Artice 29 approved at 2007 Annual Town Meeting
[2] $38,206 of principal withdrawn from this account corrects an oversight from FY2006-7 identified by auditors; amount was authorized at 2006 Town Mtg
[3] formerly Ball Field Construction CRF;purpose & name changed per Article 28 approved at 2007 Annual Town Meeting
[4] formerly Village District Well Rejuvenation, purpose/name changed per Article 6 approved at 2007 Village District of Eastman Annual Meeting

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Page 2 of 4		INCOME				GRAND TOTAL
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Balance Beg. Of Year 06/30/07	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year 06/30/08	Principal & Income 06/30/08
1900-2007	**CEMETERY FUNDS**	12,172.52	2,355.91	1,920.67	12,607.76	49,504.67
	OTHER TRUST FUNDS:					
1891	Grantham School Fund Sale of Leased Land	1.69	1.55	0.00	3.24	626.24
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	0.81	0.75	0.00	1.56	301.56
6/18/1985	Glenn Hudson Memorial Fund	48.29	126.16	47.95	126.50	3,111.50
1/30/1997	JP & MM English Educational Fund	241.28	489.20	322.65	407.83	11,656.26
	TOTAL OTHER TRUST FUNDS	292.07	617.66	370.60	539.13	15,695.56
	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					
5/10/1990	Fire Department Apparatus	27,275.12	7,207.10	0.00	34,482.22	133,582.22
7/17/1993	Town Office Equipment	1,399.34	258.12	0.00	1,657.46	6,629.82
12/15/1995	Mowers	2,615.08	538.62	0.00	3,153.70	13,653.70
12/23/1996	Town Green Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/24/1997	Village School Paving	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/24/1997	Gym Floor Renovation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/18/1998	Police Department Console	619.11	25.18	0.00	644.29	644.29
2/15/2000	Highway Equipment Fund	15,388.11	4,285.71	0.00	19,673.82	69,467.82
10/31/2002	Vill. Dist. Security Improvement	924.36	208.84	0.00	1,133.20	1,328.98
7/17/2003	Transfer Station Equipment	3,538.93	1,448.29	0.00	4,987.22	24,987.22
7/17/2003	Police Vehicles	1,468.12	414.53	0.00	1,882.65	1,882.65
10/8/2004	GVS Construction Fund	7,253.89	9,801.66	0.00	17,055.55	264,134.12
2/22/2005	Athletic Fields CRF	3,222.34	5,435.78	0.00	8,658.12	143,658.12
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Communication Systems	473.71	145.07	612.14	6.64	6.64
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Inventory Hardware	1,191.06	786.17	0.00	1,977.23	18,675.12
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Filter Media	473.71	124.19	489.43	108.47	108.47
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. Office Equipment	470.52	184.71	0.00	655.23	3,243.65
4/27/2005	Vill. Dist. A. Pond Storage Tank	3,207.54	3,006.47	0.00	6,214.01	76,214.01
11/28/2005	Vill. Dist. Decomm. Gravel Wells	1,647.20	1,505.08	0.00	3,152.28	38,152.28
3/10/2006	Vill. Dist. Well Renovation	1,433.17	1,202.66	0.00	2,635.83	21,629.77
4/12/2007	Vill. Dist. Vehicle Replacement	63.94	236.37	0.00	300.31	5,800.31
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	72,665.25	36,814.55	1,101.57	108,378.23	823,798.69

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Page 3 of 4				***PRINCIPAL***			
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	Balance Beginning 06/30/07	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/08
	EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
12/27/1995	Vill. Dist. Gen. & Pumps Maint.	Gen./Pump Maint.	MBIA 0007	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12/27/1995	Vill. Dist. Water Main Maintenance	Water Main Maintenance	MBIA 0005 SRSB CD	270,000.00	0.00	0.00	270,000.00
2003 & 2005	Vill. Dist. B&M Replacement	Backflow/Meter	MBIA 0028	6,042.10	0.00	0.00	6,042.10
12/15/1995	Town Emergency Repair	Town Emer. Repairs	MBIA 0021	6,085.68	146.00	0.00	6,231.68
1/21/1997	Grantham School Expendable Trust	School Emer. Repairs	MBIA 0015	18,080.00	0.00	0.00	18,080.00
1/31/2000	GVS Special Education	Special Education	MBIA 0025	48,000.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00
10/9/2003	GVS Tuition	Secondary School Tuition	SRSB CD MBIA 0037	67,000.00	0.00	0.00	67,000.00
	TOTAL EXPENDABLE TRUSTS			415,207.78	146.00	0.00	415,353.78
6/30/2008 REPORT TOTAL				1,249,017.91	231,646.00	297,836.33	1,182,827.58

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Page 4 of 4		INCOME				GRAND TOTAL
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Balance Beg. Of Year 06/30/07	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year 06/30/08	Principal & Income 06/30/08
	EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS					
12/27/1995	Vill. Dist. Gen. & Pumps Maint.	705.21	29.14	0.00	734.35	734.35
12/27/1995	Vill. Dist. Water Main Maintenance	54,261.24	16,784.29	0.00	71,045.53	341,045.53
2003 & 2005	Vill. Dist. B & M Replacement	1,885.57	325.58	0.00	2,211.15	8,253.25
12/15/1995	Town Emergency Repair	6,074.94	504.16	0.00	6,579.10	12,810.78
1/21/1997	Grantham School Expendable Trust	10,155.62	1,159.56	0.00	11,315.18	29,395.18
1/31/2000	GVS Special Education	4,312.84	2,148.50	0.00	6,461.34	54,461.34
10/9/2003	GVS Tuition	-440.19	4,401.09	0.00	3,960.90	70,960.90
	TOTAL EXPENDABLE TRUSTS	76,955.23	25,352.32	0.00	102,307.55	517,661.33
6/30/2008 REPORT TOTAL		162,085.07	65,140.44	3,392.84	223,832.67	1,406,660.25

Grantham Historical Society

2008 was a pretty good year for the Grantham Historical Society. We received a $124,000 bequest from Jeremy Brown which we regard as an endowment. We have invested most of it and plan to use only the interest and dividends for expenses.

Notwithstanding our endowment money, dues are due in January 2009 (individual - $10.00, family - $25.00). We depend on dues to pay normal recurring expenses to supplement our interest and dividends income.

So many members have worked and contributed in so many ways that it is difficult to note and thank everybody, so please understand if your particular contribution is not fully described here. I will list only a few names: Town Archivist Lea Frey, Executive Board members Bob Champagne and Kathi Osgood, Christina McKahan for her oral history work, Renee Gustafson and Dick Hocker for garden planning and work and Renee's contribution as a Board member and exhibit organizer; Diane Shagoury, Barbara Mutney, Bob Osgood, Ken Story for his services as vice-president, his walking tours and the application for historic designation of our building; the Grantham Garden Club, Grantham Chamber of Commerce, Roger Woodworth, Barbara Rodgers, Phyllis Forest (GHS treasurer) and Pat Andrews for her untiring work as secretary and general factotum. Also special thanks to the town of Grantham for funding the painting of walls and refinishing the wood floors and thanks to all who lent books, magazines, photos and artifacts, especially Joey Holmes, Hap Reney and Geraldine Moulton; Richard Sachs and others, including LauraJean Whitcomb who has done so much for us.

At present we have new window shades, new doors, new window boxes and we have carpenter Craig Muir working on new shelves and cabinets for the back hall to give us more convenient storage. We have plenty of office supplies, we have a new rug to be laid down, a tiny kitchen area in the back hall, a new projection screen for lectures and new digital recording equipment for oral histories.

And thanks to Tina Stearns and the Select Board for their never-ending kindness and funding for our little organization.

The Historical Society is open to visitors every Friday afternoon from 1PM to 4PM. Come on in and examine the place! We are dedicated to preserving the history of Grantham as it changes and it is changing rather rapidly. Now we have trouble and strife all over the world – economic, political, military, overpopulation, unusual weather and power outages. The Historical Society cannot do much about big problems but we can record the effect of these things on one small New Hampshire town.

"History is bunk." Who said that? Henry Ford. This from a person who did as much or more to change history in the 20th century. First Mr. Ford put the world on wheels which led to the amazing growth of the oil business and now to the proliferation of motor vehicles which is a main factor in global warming. And all of us are to blame – we must have our cars and snowmobiles and lawn tractors, etc. – not to mention generators for power outages.

Anyway, happy 2009 to all the Historical Society members and thanks to all for their contributions and labor. Remember: January is dues-paying month!

With hope for the future,

Allen W. Walker
President

Town Archivist

Grantham Town Archives: 34 Dunbar Hill Road

The Town Archives has expanded this past year allowing more room for storage of the Town Records and Documents. In addition, there is elbow room for family researchers to peruse the early Town Records and the Grantham Historical Society Photographs and Archives.

Increased shelving improves the availability of early town records including the 1776 Proprietors Book, Town Ledgers from 1790 – 1982. Vital Statistics from 1777-1895, early Town Clerk Inventories, cash record books and many other early Town Clerk's books and financial records.

A new computer generously donated by Kristina Burgard is available for viewing a database of Grantham names, materials, and can display Grantham photographs with the "Ken Burns" effect. The original village school floors have been beautifully restored.

Records from the 1950's –1980's are presently being sorted and placed in Archival Boxes.

The Town Archives is open to the public on Fridays from 1 PM to 4 PM or by appointment: Our telephone number is 863-9701.

Respectfully submitted,

Lea Frey, Town Archivist

(Photo of Ira Walker's Store & Post Office 1908
At the corner of Route 10 and Route 114
Photo by A. S. Currier
Courtesy of Grantham Historical Society)

Road Agent / Highway

I always thought that global warming would make my job easier, warmer winters, hot dry summers, what could be better, right? Instead, we experienced the rainiest year on record and the snowiest year since 1874. The older I get the more I realize Mother Nature can have an unusual sense of humor. 2008 was a tough year for keeping roads in shape; let's hope for a nice summer in 2009.

Our 2008 summer paving projects were Pillsbury and Draper Roads and the north end of Olde Farms Road from Route 10 to Silo Lane. We have increased our paving budget substantially this year, not only to keep up with the increased paving prices but, to do some new paving on some of the other high traffic roads in town.

We cleaned ditches and reshaped all or portions of New Aldrich, Miller Pond, Meadowbrook and Olde Farms Road, changing culverts and spreading gravel where required. Routine grading, raking and spreading of chloride were also done throughout the summer as well as cemetery and park mowing, as needed.

All in all it was a fairly typical year for the Highway Department. As always, I would like to thank everyone for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Newcomb, Road Agent
Jeff Hastings, Asst. Road Agent

Transfer Station

Hello Again! Yes ladies and gents, it's that time. How the year has flown. It was a very good one here for us and it's my most ardent hope that it was as good for you. We have seen many new faces here. We lost some people here in Grantham. Most notable was Herm Barton. He will be long remembered and very sadly missed.

We work hard to make your trip to Mount Trashmore a good one. In June we held our household hazardous waste day...what a day it was! We thank you for the cooperation. Indeed it was a zoo but it was good to see so many people doing the right thing. Remember folks, it's your environment; we all must keep it clean for the next generation.

Dump stickers: many have complained about the town not mailing them out and blamed the ladies at the office; don't...this was my doing. Some out of towners were caught using your facility, not an option and not again on my watch. I'm here to not just run this facility, but to also protect your interest. We have done this so please be patient with us. Stickers must be mounted on your vehicle on the right front bumper. One is needed for each vehicle that comes here; if the plate number doesn't match the sticker you will be turned around and not allowed to dump...no exceptions.

Bulky Items: if you have items falling under this category please get the tickets before coming to this facility and especially on weekends. If you don't have the tickets you will not be leaving the items...no exceptions.

Yes, it's getting tougher but here again...this is for you. We need to be ever vigilant so as to assure that those who come here have the right to do so. You folks pay for the use of this facility and it's our job to keep out those who don't and we will do this.

As many of you may have noticed we recently received a full size wheel loader. This machine will assure that we don't get swamped with snow as we did last year. It's a blessing to us here and we thank the efforts of the Board of Selectmen in getting it for us.

It has also been noticed just how many more of you are recycling this year...it does make a difference. Thank you one and all. Your efforts have been outstanding!

During the recent power outage we were closed for two days and I really do appreciate the good attitudes that we received. You'll never know what it meant to us and I want to be the one to personally say thank you. During this time I saw many acts of kindness and a sense of all pulling together. You folks should be really proud. There's a good sense of community that I see.

If you have any questions please ask me or a member of the crew...we assist you! There are times when we get hopping and it seems like we are too busy but don't be bashful. I can't fix what I don't know is broken. Please let us know if there's a way to improve on what we have. So many of you have asked why children under 12 years of age cannot help out. Well, it's a safety concern we take very seriously. The Selectmen feel it is not safe and I agree. It gets very busy here and accidents can and do happen, let's see that they don't. Let's all work together to safeguard the young ones. We will all sleep a little better for the effort.

So, lads and lasses let's raise our glasses and look back in fond memories and look to the new year with hope!

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Chaisson

Remember...What Grantham Makes, Mount Trashmore Takes

NORTHEAST RESOURCE RECOVERY ASSOCIATION

NRRA

A Recycling "Co-operative":
Working Together to Make Recycling Strong!!!

Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234
Telephone: (603) 736-4401 Fax: (603)736-4402
E-mail: info@nrra.net Web Site: www.nrra.net

Town of Grantham

Congratulations on being such active recyclers!

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled in 2008	Environmental Impact! Here is only one benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Paper	159 tons	Saved 2,699 trees!
Scrap Metal	38 tons	Conserved 38,107 pounds of coal!

As a member of NRRA, your community has access to all the services of this 28-year-old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization can provide you with:

- Up-to-date Technical Assistance in waste reduction and recycling;
- Cooperative Marketing to maximize pricing & Cooperative Purchasing to minimize costs;
- Current Market Conditions and Latest Recyling Trends;
- Innovative Programs (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream)
- Educational & Networking Opportunities through our Annual Recycling Conference & monthly marketing meetings, website and quarterly newsletter;
- School Recycling Club - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts.

NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a "brokerage fee" or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal "Co-op Fee" which is re-invested into programs to further your recyling programs and solid waste reduction efforts.

Police Department

Over the last 19 years it has been my pleasure to serve you, the residents of Grantham, first in a part time capacity, then as a full time police officer with the Grantham Police Department. Over this time I have witnessed and been a part of many changes within the department and the town.

It seems that Grantham has been in a continuous growth spurt since the early nineties. The population of Grantham has grown from 850 to the estimated 3,000 current residents. There are close to 250 students enrolled in our Elementary School, which is going through another expansion; and the traffic on our roads is to say the least, steady. It has been through the support of you, the residents of Grantham that your police department has been able to grow and evolve to keep pace with our community.

It has come to pass that another change has occurred. With the retirement of Chief Lary on June 30th, I was appointed as your new Police Chief. I will strive to ensure your police department continues to afford the residents of Grantham the best service and protection possible, by staying progressive, maintaining training standards, and staying abreast with available technology and equipment. We will also continue programs and events that afford our officers and residents opportunities to better know each other.

As examples, our D.A.R.E. program is now in its third year and another safe Halloween was provided with the assistance of the Fire Department. The Department assisted the Grantham Activities Committee with their annual Bicycle Rodeo, and sponsored a table at the Grantham Health Fair.

In an effort to accomplish these goals there are several factors that come into play; staffing to provide the necessary coverage, which in turn allows for officers to attend mandatory and elective training in order to provide professional service, and the equipment necessary to perform these duties safely and effectively.

The department currently has one open patrol position and like many departments throughout the state, we are still searching for the right individual, for the town and the department, to fill this position. Over the last twelve months the Grantham Police Department has covered 1,196 calls for service. This reflects a 13% increase over the previous year and, these figures account only for the initial call and in no way accounts for the time involved due to follow-ups and investigations.

Whenever possible, the Police Department applies for Grant monies to offset training and equipment purchases. Most recently the department decided to participate in the Project 54 Program. Project 54 is a system developed at the University of NH in Durham that integrates cruiser equipment controls with a voice activated computer program. This program is funded by federal monies and as a result of our participation in the project; the department received three laptop computers, one new light bar, one new radar unit, and all the necessary electronics to interface this and the current equipment in our cruisers. This equipment and the laptops have since been installed in our three marked cruisers and the systems are functioning very well. All of this equipment, plus installation and training, of which the estimated value is $22,000.00, was received at no cost to the Town of Grantham.

In closing I wish to thank the residents of Grantham for the support you have shown for your Police Department. This support has allowed us to keep pace with the growth within the Town, and most importantly, has given us the ability to better serve you, the residents of Grantham.

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter A. Madore Sr., Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008

Burglary	2
Conduct After an Accident	4
Criminal Mischief	14
Criminal Threatening/Intimidation	3
Criminal Trespass	5
Disorderly Conduct	3
Dog Complaint	18
Domestic Violence	1
Driving After Revocation	9
Driving While Intoxicated/Aggravated	3
Harassment (phone)	6
House Checks	30
Identity Fraud	1
Indecent Exposure/Lewdness	1
Issuing Bad Checks	2
Littering/Unlawful Activities	3
MV Accident w/ Property Damage/Injury	44
Possession of Controlled Drug/Narcotic	3
Reckless Operation	2
Runaway Juvenile	3
Simple Assault	2
Theft (all others)	11
Theft (from a building)	1
Theft (from a motor vehicle)	4
Unruly Juvenile	4
Unsecured Buildings Checked	61
All Other Offenses*	956
Traffic Citations/Warnings Issued	**849**
TOTAL INCIDENTS	**2,045**

Chief Madore with a future officer

"Ever Smiling" Wendy Wallace

*All other incidents include, but are not limited to:

Agg. Felonious Sex Assault
Theft by Deception
Child Pornography
Transporting Alcohol
Offender Registrations
Found Property
Motor Vehicle Complaints
Directed Patrols
Operating w/o Valid License
VIN Verification
Arson
Receiving Stolen Property
Loitering or Prowling
Bench Warrants
Parking Complaints
Gas Drive Off
Noise Complaints
Missing Persons
Stop Sign Violations
Fingerprints
Theft of Motor Vehicle
Computer Related Crimes
Child Protection Act
Resisting Arrest
Dog Orders Served
Bank/Business Alarms
Pistol Permits
Welfare Checks
Dog Control
911 Hang-up Calls

Building Inspector

96 Building Permits were approved and issued for the calendar year 2008 which represents about a 30% increase over last year (73 permits). Starting in March, mandatory (NH State law) inspections were conducted on all residential and commercial construction projects . A total of 134 site visits were completed for the year. Grantham's SAU 75 school addition and Eastman's South Cove Activity Center accounted for a significant share of these visits as construction continues well into 2009.

Most property owners and contractors are complying with the new rules and the Residential and Commercial Building Codes (on file in the Town Office). Once again, street # signs should be prominently displayed and observable from the roads. Building permits are also required to be displayed during construction and should be available for the inspector's signatures.

Any questions or concerns on permit applications or building codes, just contact me at the Town Office 863-6021 or at home 863-5863.

Roger Woodworth
Building Inspector

Planning Board

Site Plan Review

Grantham Cafe; M/L 226-021; Rte 10 North; Rum Brook Place
Closet Treasures; M/L 233-007; Willis Avenue
ECA South Cove Activity Center; M/L 222-145
Hearthside Heating; M/L 233-026; Sawyer Brook Plaza
B & L Auto; M/L 235-017; Route 114

Boundary Line Adjustment

Juniper Hills Subdivision; M/L 241-007, 011, 012; Shedd Road

Subdivision

Schotanus; M/L 237-052; Sugarwood Lane (3 lots)
Town of Grantham; M/L 233-075; Learning Drive (3 lots)

Annexation

Lynch; M/L 223-056,057; Whitetail Ridge
Kriz; M/L 213-038,039; Anderson Pond Road
Beale ; M/L 225-087, 088; Troon Drive

Members: Carl Hanson, Chair, Charles McCarthy, Karen Ryan, Alden Pillsbury, Warren Kimball
Alternates: Larry Fuller & Robert Barnes

Zoning Board of Adjustment

In the past fiscal year six meetings were held by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seven applications for variances and permission for a special exception were considered as well as two conceptual plans for future applications.

Application variances for relief on dimensional requirements were granted to three applicants. Three other applications involved granting permission for uses listed under special exception in rural residential districts. All of these applications involved home businesses and were given approval by the Board.

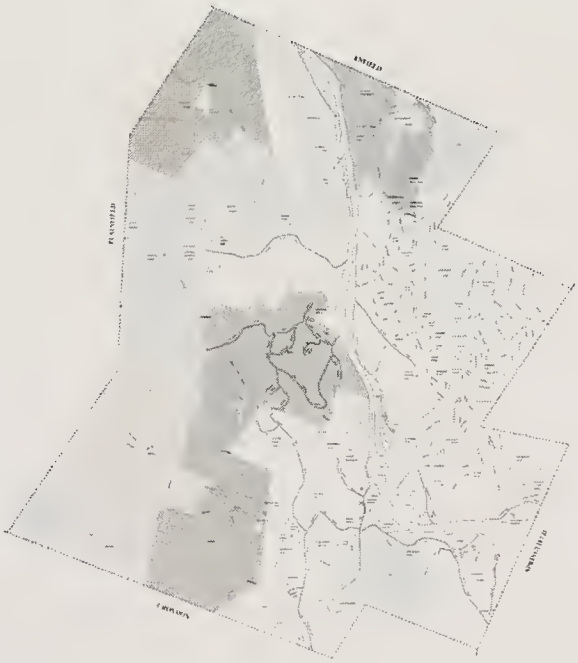
A multi-phased plan for a project, largely in a flood plain, was heard and at a subsequent meeting, the first phase was approved. Because of the particular location of this project, numerous conditions were imposed.

The Department of Environment Services revamped the Comprehensive Shoreline Protection Act and became effective the day after this past fiscal year ended (July 1, 2008). The ramifications of the revisions were discussed by the Board prior to the effective date and were a factor in considering the application for the project in the floodplain.

The most important effect of the new Comprehensive Shoreline Protection Act is the inclusion of specific rivers and water bodies located within Grantham. Most any disturbance to the land within 250 feet of the shores of these rivers and water bodies will require a review by the Department of Environmental Services before they issue a permit for use within the 250 foot setback area.

I would like to express my appreciation to my colleagues on the Board for their diligent efforts on behalf of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and to Martha Menard for her work as Clerk of the Board.

Conrad F. Frey, Chair
Members: Tanya McIntire, Richard Mansfield, Peter Gardiner and John Clayton
Alternates: Myron Cummings & Margery Bostrom



FY 08 Annual Report for the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (Commission)

The Commission is one of nine regional planning commissions in New Hampshire created to coordinate all aspects of planning, act as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies and provide advisory technical assistance on land use issues. We serve 27 communities from Piermont to Charlestown along the Connecticut River and from Wilmot to Washington to the east.

Over the past year the Commission has expended a significant amount of energy increasing visibility, public relations and identifying the needs of the communities, ultimately aimed at building stability and capacity in order to better address land use issues that are important to the long-term sustainability of the communities within the region. The Commission experienced a year of transition and expansion as it hired a Geographic Information Systems Analyst to provide mapping services and a new Executive Director to provide leadership and guidance.

Revenue for the Commission was $565,964 for FY08. A large percentage of this funding comes from the Unified Planning Work Program utilizing Federal Highway Administration funding through the NH Department of Transportation. Other state and federal funding sources include the NH Department of Environmental Services, the NH Department of Safety - Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the Office of Energy and Planning. Member communities and counties provide membership dues. In FY2008 this allowed the Commission to leverage approximately $250,000 in state and federal funds, and provided the Commission with just over 15% of its revenue.

The Commission consists of representatives appointed by the leadership of each member municipality or county. These Commissioners represent your community's interests in the work the Commission does. The Commission had ten new Commissioners appointed by various municipalities and counties expanding resources and expertise within its leadership and demonstrating considerable renewed interest in regional collaboration. Additionally, Grafton County became a member of the Commission this year.

Some of this year's highlights include completion of the Route 120 Phase 1 Corridor Study in Lebanon and Hanover and a number of Human Transit Coordination plans and Hazard Mitigation plans. The Commission assisted communities in developing Master Plans in Claremont, Cornish, Acworth, Enfield and Lyme which will enable communities to better align their policies and land uses decision with the goals expressed through community participation. Direct planning assistance was made available to Planning Boards in Orford, Wilmot and Springfield, and regulatory review and ordinance assistance was provided to Claremont, Plainfield, Springfield and Washington.

The Commission provides a significant amount of hours of technical assistance to communities that inquire about specific local issues, data requests or needed resources. The communities of Croydon, Lempster, Goshen, Cornish, Charlestown, New London, Hanover, Sunapee, Lebanon, Grantham, Dorchester, Newport, Unity, Orange, Enfield, Piermont, Plainfield and Leominster all took advantage of these services this past year. This past year we also received inquiries for assistance from regional and other organizations including the Sugar River Conservation Council, Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Mascoma River Watershed Council, Lake Sunapee Advisory Committee, The Nature Conservancy and Dartmouth College.

The Commission was engaged in over 45 projects within the region this year and has increased its capacity to serve the communities of the region. A list of some of this year's accomplishments and projects that were completed, as well as a copy of this Annual Report are available on our website at www.uvlsrpc.org.

We have already begun work on many new initiatives in the region and thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Walker
Executive Director

Commissioners serving your community during FY08

GRANTHAM
Thain Allen

Conservation Commission

2008 was a pivotal year for the Grantham Conservation Commission. Events over the year have reinforced the resolve of the GCC to increase the tempo of land conservation within Grantham. The impact of the last 20 years of development in Grantham was evident in the need to significantly expand the Grantham Elementary school for the third time since its original construction in 1983.

The completion of the first 17 lots for the Juniper Hills development out of a total of 69 planned will further expand the need for infrastructure to support the additional residents. Conversations with developers also indicate that Grantham is the next logical step in the development of the Upper Valley given the limitations in Lebanon and Hanover.

Against this background the Conservation Commission has continued its efforts to secure the undeveloped land within Grantham. The Commission is working with the Upper Valley Land Trust to finalize the conservation of the Smith Lot on Miller Pond Road. It is expected that this effort will be complete by summer. Eastman Community Association and the Grantham Conservation Commission are continuing the process of conserving a 12 acre parcel known as the Frog Pond area. This wetlands/thickly forested land is home to a wide variety of creatures and will provide an accessible area for a number of activities once conserved.

The Commission has also opened discussion with the Ausbon Sargent land Trust to pursue the conservation of a sizable tract in the community. This tract is vital to the future of the Town. In its present form the tract will provide an array of public benefits but if developed would increase the town population by 20-40 percent. Although the Town has supported the Commission by allocating 100 percent of the funds collected from Current Use taxes when land is taken out of Current Use, the dollars are small compared to those needed for our planned effort. The Grantham Conservation Commission strongly recommends the establishment of a trust fund to provide a source of funds that can be pointed to as a commitment by the Town toward conservation.

The Perambulation of the town boundaries continues. A walk to find the last missing marker was thwarted by excessive vegetation in the area where the marker is suspected of being. The walk took place at the end of September 2008. Since then we have located a town resident that saw the Marker on a walk in the early 1960's and has volunteered to join another attempt come spring to find the marker. The legal process of replacing the marker is a daunting one and needs to be avoided at all cost.

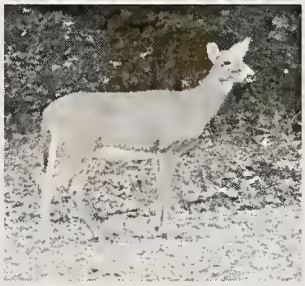
As indicated in last year's report, The Shoreland Protection Act has become law in July 2008 instead of April. The definition of a 4th order stream was changed under the revised Act thus residents along Sawyer Brook, Skinner Brook, Sugar River, and Stocker Brook are advised not to undertake activities within 250 feet of these streams without an understanding of the revised act. This also applies to the six "public" waters (Lakes and Ponds) in Grantham.

Last and most important, the work with Plymouth State University is nearing its conclusion projected for March 2009. The Town of Grantham Critical Conservation Lands Index will be an important document for guiding the town boards and selectmen in the decision process from a perspective of those areas which are deemed of critical value to the town. Like the Town Master Plan this will be one of those documents that town residents should read and be familiar with. We encourage all to have a look at a preview of our coming Critical Lands Index at the Conservation Commission's Town Meeting display.

This year Tom Vogel has joined the Commission. Tom's membership adds yet another important asset to the Commission's capabilities.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Grantham Conservation Commission Members
Richard Hocker, Chair, Andy Eastman, Adele Furdyna, Jeremy Turner,
Patricia Woolson, Merle Schotanus and Tom Vogel



The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust

The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) has been a leader in the conservation of our natural resources in the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee Region for more than two decades. This non-profit, citizen-based group's mission is to protect the rural landscape of this region.

Operated by a volunteer Board of fourteen Trustees, the ASLPT has grown from an all volunteer organization with an initial charter membership of 475 into an organization of over 1,100 memberships with a full-time executive director, two full-time land protection specialists and four part-time office assistants. We are pleased to have 100+ volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments and clerical work. Since our founding in 1987, the ASLPT has completed 100 projects and protected a total of 6,203 acres. All of our conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two thirds of our properties offer public access.

Many of our members are involved in our events, are easement monitors, volunteer to assist with office work, organize fund raising events and serve on various committees. We are especially thankful for their support and the countless hours that they give us during the year. Our members are the lifeblood of the ASLPT and if you are not already a member, I urge you to become one.

During the calendar year of 2008, the ASLPT conserved eight properties including our 100th project. Integrated into your rural landscape forever are the following conservation easement properties: Baptist Pond Trust, 6.52 acres, Springfield; Town of Sutton-Russell Pond, 8.48 acres; Thad and Virginia Johnson, 92 acres, Sutton Mill; Shadow Hill Woodlot – Lorraine and Tim Davis, 50 acres, Sutton; Bradford Bog/Bradford Hotel & Spring, 177.8 acres; and Courser Phase 3 – three separate conservation easements, 440 acres, Warner and Webster. In early January 209, we anticipate closing on two New London Properties and one Georges Mills property.

We also had an opportunity to work with the neighbors at Soo Nipi Park in conjunction with Lake Sunapee Protective Association to find a buyer to conserve 100 acres crucial to the Lake Sunapee watershed.

In April 2008 we were thrilled to be able to move to our new office located at 71 Pleasant Street. We are delighted to have the much needed additional work stations, storage and meeting space. Timed with the office move, we added two new members to our staff: Nancy Smith, Administrative Assistant and Andy Deegan, Land Protection Specialist.

The Outreach Committee of the ASLPT cosponsored a conference in April 2008 with the Center for Land Conservation Assistance, "Saving Special Places. The conference addressed the issues of planning and conservation, land conservation basics, funding, land management and other topics of interest to town decision makers. In November 2008 the Committee sponsored a workshop, "Maintaining Rural Character", for the decision makers on town boards and commissions in our region. The workshop provided opportunities for the participants to compare current policies to retain their rural character through zoning, planning and conservation.

The Land Trust has been working throughout 2008 to achieve accreditation from the Land Trust Accreditation Commission which is an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance. The Alliance conducts an extensive review of each applicant's policies and programs to insure that the Land Trust follows accepted accreditation practices. The public is increasingly demanding accountability from government and nonprofit organization, including land trusts. The land trust community has voluntarily heeded the calls for self-regulation. The accreditation seal will provide the Land Trust with enhanced credibility and respect from land conservation donors, members and others.

For further information regarding our land projects and future events, please visit our website at www.ausbonsargent.org.

I would like to thank everyone involved with the ASLPT either as an easement donor, a member or as one who contributes many volunteer hours to the organization. I am especially grateful to our generous supportive members who sustain the land trust. And on behalf of present and future generations, a heartfelt thank you to all the willing landowners who love their land and recognize that their actions will preserve our rural landscapes…….forever.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah L. Stanley
Executive Director

Dunbar Free Library Trustees Report

The year 2008 saw new trustees elected at Town Meeting and some appointed during the year. Joy Lamont and Cindy Towle became the co-chairs and Susan Mellow became the recording secretary. Don Noordsy remained the treasurer and Ed Jenik was appointed as trustee and long-range planner.

The year was busy. We replaced twelve windows as recommended by our energy audit, the front steps were leveled and stabilized, and landscaper Barbara Burt overhauled landscaping to reflect a perennial garden. Painting was done to the outside to put the final touch on our library.

During the year, the board sponsored two adult book discussions through the New Hampshire Humanities Council. Lively and though provoking discussions led by Susan Brown and Patrick Anderson was enjoyed by all who attended. We hope to carry on these discussions next year and hope to see more patrons enjoy these events.

Halloween saw another tradition of our members and B. Joey Holmes in spectacular garb; opened the library doors for 70 or more trick or treaters who visited us on Halloween.

In December, Dawn Huston and three of the trustees attended the Nelinet Public Library Symposium 2008: A Look at the Future. This symposium discussed budgets and communities, essential services to our patrons, library technology and multi generational patrons and open sources for the library.

This year, a wonderful gift was bequeathed to the Trustees of the Dunbar Free Library from the estate of Jeremy Brown. Mr. Brown had lived in Grantham for a number of years and decided to leave part of his estate to the Trustees.

We want to thank the taxpayers of Grantham for your continuing support of the Dunbar Free Library. Together we create a community and we think it is evident every day in our library. Please use your library, join as a volunteer if you can, attend our summer and winter programs and be proud of the library that is a reflection of the good people in the Town of Grantham. We are proud of the dedication of our devoted staff and grateful for the generosity of our volunteers and Friends of the Library, and appreciative of the support of the Town Office and the Selectmen. Together we make the library the valuable asset that it is to the Town of Grantham.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Towle, Joy Lamont, Susan Mellow, Ed Jenik and Don Noordsy
Trustees of the Dunbar Free Library

Dunbar Free Library

This year in the Dunbar Free Library's annual report I want to pay tribute to the staff. Without Joey Holmes, Bobbi Travis, Sandy Noordsy, Katrina McCurley, and Terri Heepe this library couldn't possibly function. For instance:

- Joey completed close to 11/12 of 1863 inter-library loans herself, that's 1115 books, videos and other items that our patrons borrowed from other libraries in New Hampshire and even beyond, and 748 that other libraries borrowed from us! When Joey was out for a month, the rest of us managed to almost match the master.
- Terri, Bobbi, and Sandy cataloged 1427 books, 137 audios, and 186 videos, adding them to our system and the state's Union Catalog so other libraries can borrow them from us (see ILL!), as well as withdrawing 1267, 267, and 132 items from the same categories as we're *almost* bursting at the seams and need to remove things for the new stuff to keep coming in!
- Katrina planned 15 programs (more later) for children and adults, as well as 67 different Wednesday-Thursday morning story times for 2 different age groups. 1302 children and adults came to those story times, and 513 to the other programs.
- Bobbi input information and prepared the library cards for 197 new patrons.
- And all the staff backed up the volunteers as we circulated **52,140** items and accommodated **30,142** patron visits!

All together, the employees, including myself, have invested at least a total of 48 years in the Dunbar Free Library as staff, and in several instances additional time as volunteers. I think that's dedication! We the staff kept the library open 1,782 hours in 2007-2008, minus a few extra hours for snow days and conferences.

Now, we also couldn't do the job without the volunteers, who did even more work than last year, their 1881 aggregate hours is an 8% increase, and again doesn't include the hours that garden club members and others put into the flower barrels, the Shakespeare and herb gardens, or just watering – or the time and trouble the "Artists in the Barn" go to changing our artwork. It does include all our desk, processing, shelving, mending, and "other projects as assigned" volunteers—an average of 36 hours a week! Some have started since I did, 3 ½ years ago, and others have been here from years before that. Our "oldest" volunteer has been here more than 17 years! Some have "retired", some moved to (usually southern) other locales, some have come knowing they're only going to be here a couple of months but want to help while they're here. There are on-going opportunities: come and ask us!

Now, back to the programs…In July author Nita Choukas came to talk about her book "Bayberry and Beau" inspired by a horse and cat on Dot Purdy's farm, and the summer reading club made blueberry pies. In August Barbara Miles presented herself as "Ruth Law" – an aviatrix before Amelia Earhart, and Barbara Rodgers shared her father's flight log from a flying date her parents went on during their courtship. We also had a visit from Fungo, the NH Fisher Cats mascot, who invited everyone to attend a game, and took a picture with Joey. There was also a trustee-sponsored hosted book discussion group, led by Suzanne Brown. October was very busy: a visiting author, Jodi Shapiro, from California read to both story time groups; we concluded our "BIG READ" of Bradbury's *Fahrenheit 451* with a pot-luck, discussion, and fire-spinners; and well over 100 trick-or-treaters came to the library on Hallowe'en. In November and December Kathy Lowe came from New London, there were Saturday craft activities, and story time after Breakfast with Santa. February held a Saturday Valentine craft and NHPTV came and shared water facts and science activities. We also participated in the town-wide birthday party for Dr. Seuss. March saw the 2nd annual sap season story time pancake breakfasts. April was another busy month with our first annual Poetry Coffeehouse, a celebration of Shakespeare's birthday, and a presentation on photography skills. In June, our year of programs concluded with 56 kids and adults at our welcome to summer Pajama time story time, and another trustee/NHHC

sponsored book discussion group, again led by Dartmouth scholar Suzanne Brown. DFL has programs of one sort or another almost weekly—come and join us.

As far as the building is concerned, the "new" end was finally old enough to need repainting, and we instituted a number of repairs and actions designed to improve our energy efficiency. Moms, Dads, and other caretakers of small fry may have noticed our new changing table. We have a new server, and new shelving for our ever-growing collections of DVDs and audiobooks on CD.

Speaking of those DVDs, and all the above mentioned programs – the **Friends of Dunbar Free Library** are an incredible asset to this library and this town. They funded more than $1000 of the DVD collection over 2007-08, they buy a book for every baby born in Grantham and every new card holder under 14, they gave the staff a wonderful breakfast, and the patrons a great pre-holiday "Open House", they help out and fund most of the programs sometimes in total, sometimes with the New Hampshire Humanities Council, as well as paying for much of the advertising. They've provided funding for cleaning our DVDs/CDs, taken over the planning and installation of the display case shows, they pay for several of the passes to local attractions such as the Christa McAuliff Planetarium, the Currier Museum of Art (9 bucks a pop—you might want to drop by and borrow our pass for two before your next trip to Manchester), the Fells, and the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum. So next time you receive that "Friends" letter in the mail, think about all they do! And if you don't get the letter, stop by the library and ask for one of their envelopes, we'd love to give you one.

My thanks to the patrons, the community, the trustees, the friends, the staff—you all make this a great library and a great place to work.

Dawn E. S. Huston
Director/Librarian

Dunbar Free Library
Hours:
Monday, Wednesday 9-5, 6:30-8:30
Thursday 9-5, Friday 9-12, Saturday 9-2

K. McCurley; J. Holmes

Back Row: B. Travis, S. Noordsy, T. Heepe, J. Holmes
Front Row: K. McCurley, D. Huston

Emergency Management

It has been a very productive year here in Grantham. On August 11, 2008 we received our final regional plan of the Upper Valley All Health Hazards Region IV, which encompasses the 13 municipalities of Canaan; Cornish; Dorchester; Enfield; Grafton; Grantham; Hanover; Lebanon; Lyme; Orange; Orford; Piermont and Plainfield. No municipality alone has the resources to respond to a public health emergency, but by combining resources and with advanced planning, the region will be better prepared.

In November 2005, I became active on monthly and sometime weekly meetings to develop this regional plan, and now over three years later region IV has a plan presented to and approved by the State of New Hampshire DHHS Public Health and New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management. Keep in mind; public health emergencies can be cased by natural disasters; biological terrorism; chemical terrorism or naturally occurring communicable disease outbreaks. We try to minimize the impact of adverse events on our population.

I honestly feel that 70 to 80 percent of Grantham's residents do not realize all that we have in place in the event a crisis occurs. If we should do a better job on public education on this subject, please let your Board of Selectmen know and we can set up a public forum here in town to discuss such things like mass immunizations; medical surge capacity; isolation and quarantine; mass care (sheltering) volunteers...just to name a few!

In April I presented the Grantham School Board with concerns on the addition/renovations being planned for the new school. My biggest concern was the lack of a second egress road as called out in the NESDEC Study on Long Range School Facilities Planning completed in November 2003. I am disappointed from a safety perspective that we still only have one entrance/exit road. With the exception that an emergency footbridge that was completed in the fall, we now have means for any off site evacuation of the students and staff in the event we need it. On September 30, 2008 we used the new footbridge for an off site evacuation of the school to the Town Hall. All involved will say how much safer and quicker it was than to exit on to Route 114 then on to Route 10 south to get to Town Hall. Our thanks to all who made this project happen.

On a different subject, Grantham completed a Hazard Mitigation Plan with a committee along with the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission approved by FEMA in July 2008. The purpose of this plan is to reduce future losses from natural or man-made hazard events before they occur. Without this plan Grantham would not be eligible for funding from FEMA if we applied for it.

In May 2008 I received a copy of the Village District of Eastman's Emergency Response Plan for their public water system. This plan meets all the requirements of the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services. This plan for action contains steps to follow should a primary source of drinking water become contaminated or the flow of water disrupted; an important part of Grantham's recent update of overall emergency operation plan. This plan meets all the requirements set forth by the State of New Hampshire and FEMA.

The Town of Grantham Emergency Operation Plan was completed this year. The Town contracted Jane Hubbard Consulting, LLC with grant money of $5000 and our matching amount for a complete rewrite with standards set by the State of New Hampshire. The last update was done in 2002. The Select Board signed their approval on November 12, 2008.

For the second year we held our Health Fair at the Town Hall on October 10, 2008. I estimate 275 – 300 people came through and 186 received flu shots. Last year we gave 130 flu shots. I would like to thank the Eastman Health and Safety Committee; New London Hospital; Visiting Nurses Association and all who helped make this a success. A big thank you to Police Chief Madore and his department.

As Grantham's Emergency Management Director; it would not be possible to do this job without all the help I get from the Select Board; Town Administrator Tina Stearns; Receptionist Martha Menard (all the typing I have her do) plus all the staff at the Town Hall and the Police Department. I can never say thank you enough.

Respectfully,

EMD F. Robert Osgood

A saying I once saw at a Veterans Club:

If you think the price for dues is high,
Think of the price that was paid to make it possible
for you to be a member.

Fire Department

The Fire Department had a busy year with 136 calls in 2007-2008. This is a decrease of 20 calls with false alarms being our most common run. This year we also had a large number of accidents. Please slow down and use your seatbelts. In late 2008 during the power outage, we and fire departments around us responded to many carbon monoxide detector activations. Most of these calls involved the improper use of a portable generator. Please use caution when operating these units as the exhaust fumes can enter your home through many different openings. Remember to change your smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries on a regular basis.

The following is the breakdown for calls between July 2007 and June 2008:

Fires - 20	July 2007	11	January 2008	9
Vehicle Accidents - 34	August	23	February	16
False Alarm - 44	September	5	March	14
Rescue - I	October	11	April	10
Service Call - 5	November	17	May	7
Medical Assist - 2	December	3	June	10
Carbon Monoxide, smoke or odor call - 16				
Hazardous Condition - 14				

As I write this report our new Rescue Pumper has just arrived at the Firehouse. I would like to thank the residents of Grantham for their support in our purchase of the new Rescue Pumper and also for your support throughout the year.

If you've ever considered volunteering to help your community the Fire department could be what you're looking for. Currently our membership is on the low side and new members are needed to help reduce the load on our very busy crew. Even if you don't wish to respond to calls we can probably find duties within your skill level. If you're interested in joining the Fire department please feel free to stop by the station and talk with a member. You may also call the station at 863-5710.

I would like to thank all the Fire/Fast/Aux. Members who have given many hours of their time to the Fire Dept. Your commitment and dedication are Very Much Appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Benoit
Fire Chief

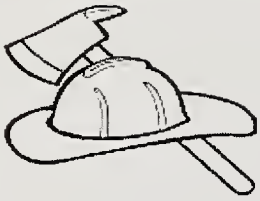
Jay Fountain, Kevin LaHaye
911 Ceremony

Current active members and years of service:

Michael Benoit, Chief - 31 years
Michael Durkin - 6 years
Donald Barton - 36 years
Douglass Demers, Captain - 13 years
James Goucher - 2 years
Robin Palermo - 16 years
James Palermo, Lieutenant - 20 years
Jeremiah Fountain, Lieutenant - 13 years
Wayne Small - 5 years

Chris Palermo, Deputy Chief - 19 years
David Beckley - 6 years
Richard Coville - 5 years
Bill Rigby - 3 years
Kevin LaHaye - 2 years
Melissa Hautaniemi - 1 year
Rosie Bard - 18 years
Justin Hastings - 8 years
Chris Boyes - 1 year

New Member: Jeremy Labombard



F.A.S.T. Squad

Grantham's Emergency Medical Service is an all-volunteer, non-transport agency of state certified medical personnel who serve the town of Grantham and exist and function as part of the Grantham Volunteer Fire Department.

Call Statistics: The Grantham EMS responded to 118 "911" emergency calls from July 2007 through June 2008. This is a pretty good reduction from last year's all time high of 167 calls. It's also nice to see this down trend after experiencing several years with a steady increase in call numbers. The following is a general break down of those calls.

MVA	23
Trauma – Fall	17
Trauma – Other	7
Medical – Cardiac / Chest Pain	8
Medical – Stroke / CVA / Seizure	8
Medical – Breathing difficulty	8
Medical – Other	37
Alchohol + OD	3
Behavioral / Psychological	2
Fire support and CO alarm	2
Medical Alarms and Lift Assists	3

Membership: Our membership and squad officers are as follows:

Stuart Gillespie	EMT-I, Coordinator
Jeff Figley	EMT-I, Asst. Coordinator
Susan Figley	EMT-I, Secretary
Jane Chipman	EMT-I, Treasurer
Jill Davis	EMT-P
Jay Fountain	EMT-I
Bruce Chipman	EMT-I
Kristi O'Conner	EMT-I
Lori Avery	EMT-B
Kevin Lahaye	EMT-B

We were sorry to say goodbye to some members this past year. Nancy Banville and her husband moved to Memphis TN. Morgan Figley graduated from Virginia Tech. and decided to stay in Virginia. Tony Le Jeune moved to Alberta CA. And last, but not least, William Roy left to start his undergraduate studies at Norwich Academy. Fortunately, we were lucky to have Kristi O'Conner return to town and the squad.

Grantham EMS is an active participant in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee EMS Region and the New London EMS district C-5. Our Medical Resource Hospital for providing Medical Control is New London Hospital and our primary patient transport agency is New London Ambulance Service.

If you have any interest joining or learning about the squad, we are always looking for new volunteers. Please feel free to speak to one of the members, visit our new web site, which you can reach through the town's site http://www.granthamnh.net/, and e-mail one of us, or just stop by at one of our monthly meetings. These are held on the 3rd Thursday of each Month at 6:00pm.

We as a squad would like to thank the people of Grantham and our town officials for their continued support and wish you all a safe and healthy 2009.

Respectfully submitted,
Stuart Gillespie, Coordinator

Athletic Department Town Report 2008

Spring

It has been a busy year for the Athletic Department. The following sports were again offered to children aged 5-12 with Baseball, Softball and T-ball in the spring, Soccer in the fall, Basketball and Cheerleading for the winter months along with the NEHSA ski program with Mt. Sunapee.

The Recreation Dept. enjoyed a very active spring season. The spring program supported an extensive T-ball group, 2 Rookie baseball teams, 1 Minors baseball team and 1 majors baseball team. There were two softball teams; a 10U and a 12U team. All players enjoyed a great season with their teams and the Minors baseball team won their second league championship title in the Kearsarge Valley Cal Ripken League beating out the high ranking Bradford team.

Coaches for both baseball and softball were certified through the Ripken Online Coaching program as a mandatory requirement for the leagues we participate in. This has been completed by all coaches, is a lifelong certification and should prove to be an asset in the years to come.

Two different events occupied June 1st. The 2nd annual Bike-a-thon was held in conjunction with OUR TOWN's Bike rodeo. There were approximately 20 cyclists completing laps down the road behind the school and returning to the parking lot. First and Second place awards were give to the cyclists with the top two most laps. Door prizes were awarded to all participants.

Also on this date, **All Around Towne Photography** located in Newport and Lebanon, were contacted to provide a photo opportunity to the baseball and softball players to remember their sport. This was newly offered and well received by parents, players and coaches. This will be a new tradition for the Grantham Athletics players for any sport offered.

The Athletic Dept. offered assistance to one of the local AAU girl's basketball programs out af Lebanon from March to Mid June. The "Granite State Wolfpack" teams led by Rager St. Hillaire and Heidi Bushway were able to practice in the G.V.S. gym with more than half of the 13U and 12U teams consisting of Grantham players. This was a bonus to the girls that joined making it more convenient for them to participate in this type of out-of-season program. A great "Thank you" to John and Michele Gilliatt far organizing a very successful car wash to help out the AAU teams.

Summer

On July 4th, several softball and baseball players marched with their parents and coaches along with the Athletic Director in the parade down Route 10. This dept. also provided an informational booth at Old Home Days informing residents about the Athletic Department's current sports programs with the hopes of obtaining more volunteers willing to share what they know. The programs offered are currently listed in a new brochure created for local distribution. Several new community members were pleased to gather information and introduced their children to these programs during the upcoming school season.

As Director of the Athletic Dept., I am a member of a few committees...over the course of the past year I attended the Kearsarge Valley Cal Ripken League Director's meeting (quarterly and just before start of spring season), the Connecticut Valley Softball League meeting (monthly), and the Grantham (ball field) Park committee (twice monthly).

July also offered a Self-Defense awareness class presented by Professional Standards Investigations of Newport. This was well presented and attended. There are plans to offer a future session geared to the young adults in the area. My heartfelt appreciation to the volunteers that presented this program.

Talks began with Sunapee, Kearsarge and Andover in July with the hopes of re-organizing the basketball season and rejoining the Quad Valley Basketball league. Prior to this arrangement, Grantham players only competed against Indian River teams. This should broaden our current program and help improve skill building and assessment.

A basketball camp was held in August to provide additional fun for those who wanted to continue their skill building in basketball; this was attended by approximately 10 girls.

Front row (LtoR): C. Laramie, H. Hammond, A. Hammond
Back row (LtoR): K. Laramie, K. Googins, H. Laramie and R. Preston

Fall

August was a busy month for this dept. preparing for the upcoming soccer season. After the summer registration dates, in which numbers were low, a final registration was held at the end of August, bringing in an additional 40 soccer players. There were teams created from Kindergarten to Sixth Grade. With the addition of the new fields, we were able to support a 5/6 grade team this year. Unfortunately, this team was not established prior to the Merrimack Valley Soccer League deadline and could therefore not participate in league games. However, they were able to enjoy several scrimmages with area teams from Newport and Bradford. Both the girls and boys 3/4 grade teams participated in the Robert Andrews Foundation Jamboree held in New London on October 5th and enjoyed a great day of soccer.

New goals were made available for use by the older soccer teams. The older bleachers from the school ball field were moved to the new field location for use. It made game viewing much easier and my gratitude goes to the G.V.S. Playground Committee for allowing the use of these older bleachers.

The addition of the new fields enabled the soccer program to grow and more practices made available to the teams. My heartfelt indebtedness to the Selectboard and volunteers for making this happen. The dedicated players, coaches and parents were tremendous in overcoming the issues brought on by the wildlife that resided there.

A different photo vendor, **Sportography** from Massachusetts arrived in mid September to provide a photo opportunity to families interested in having their child's soccer memories captured. This was a great success and each team coach was presented with a plaque displaying the team photo.

October offered registration for basketball and cheerleading. The basketball program will now offer games against the Quad Valley League this year versus Sunapee and Kearsarge. This move had been in the works for the past year and finalized in September. This is an eagerly awaited move by all. Newport and Mascoma teams are also included in the game schedule for scrimmages but are not part of the Quad Valley League.

The batting net that originally hung in the Grantham Village School gym was removed and is now stored at the new Recreation facility. There are hopes to re-establish a place to utilize this net and provide controlled batting practices for the baseball and softball players.

The Athletic Dept. provided ghoulish munchies in the cafeteria during the Haunted Pumpkin Festival at GVS. There was a raffle held for four tickets to the Fisher Cats Baseball team for the 08 season and an authentic autographed photo of Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek along with several smaller prizes. This has been a well received offering and a great success each Halloween.

The NEHSA program at Mt. Sunapee was offered to students via the Athletic Dept. again this winter. Data gathered from last years NEHSA program and compiled by Janet Correia has proved to be extremely valuable in helping the students that participated. Parents are looking forward to this continuing to be a part of the Athletic Dept.'s offerings, feeling that their children greatly benefited both at home and in school and the staff at Mt. Sunapee for this program are outstanding.

The Athletic Department works with NEHSA (New England Handicapped Sports Association) at Mount Sunapee and Janet L. Correia, OT for the Grantham Village School to help gather data from this pilot program to support future programs.
NEHSA is a volunteer, non-profit organization operated by and for individuals with disabilities. Our goal is to integrate individuals with disabilities into society through social and recreational activities.

With the start of basketball season, a referee clinic was held at the GVS gym on Sunday December 7th. It was well attended by parents, high school students and local residents. This will provide a better resource for the Athletic Dept. for referees and was a great way to involve High School Students and parents in the basketball program. Thank you to Norman Morin for making this clinic possible.

Many residents are aware that the Recreation Department is now housed in the new facility on Shedd Road that is the Grantham Community Park. All of the Athletic Dept.'s equipment; baseball and softball gear, soccer goals and balls, uniforms and more are stored and better organized. This new facility and fields will provide more adequate space for our Recreation Department to grow and thrive for our residents. Thank you to all who supported this great addition to the community.

In retrospect, I have reread this report and noticed how much I am thanking the many volunteers that support the Athletic Dept. through their dedication of time and talents. It always bears repeating. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Googins
Athletic Director
Grantham Recreation Dept. December 31, 2008

Our Town

"Our Town" Grantham's Activities Department again had a very busy year. The annual events which remain constant now in our community are:

The Easter Egg Hunt: A crowd pleaser was once again held in the gym at the school due to weather. A huge thank you to young Zachary Wilson for his help.

The Bike Rodeo: This event allows kids the opportunity to ride through an obstacle course, learn hand signals, and control their bicycle when stopping or turning. Thank you to the Grantham PD for helping out with safety training and registrations of bicycles. And because of a donation from the Grantham Area Chamber of Commerce *Our Town* was able to purchase gift certificates to buy two new bikes to give away.

Mother's Day Breakfast: Each May we serve up an all you can eat buffet at the town hall and give each Mother a carnation.

Old Home Day: This year's event is the last Old Home Day to be held at the village school, we'll be moving onto the new park come July 4th 2009. As usual, the crowds were large and the weather fantastic! This year's oldest residents were Etta Barton, and Wilfred (Kiddo) & Lillian Cote.

Each year we try to add or delete activities to keep the excitement going. Old Home Day is always in need of new blood, so if you have some ideas and energy to share be sure to join us.

Craft in the Park: It draws a good 35 children each Wednesday in the summer. We started out at the school in June, but then moved on down to the park next to the blueberry patch. This annual summer activity was free, thanks to our sponsor Brian S. Tilton LLC.

The Scarecrows: A mob of people showed up in the park field to dress the scarecrows. Adding to the excitement, nine businesses kicked in this year as an *Our Town* fundraiser. The straw folks made their entrance onto Main Street the 1st of October, and hung around all month. I'm happy to report that no one had been kidnapped this year. The scarecrows will remain a Grantham fall tradition as long as their appeal remains.

The Haunted Pumpkin Festival: A great way to see all your friends dressed up. As well as being a family fun event, the festival serves as a fund raiser for *Our Town* and the *Athletics Department*. Its success is due to many youth and adult volunteers who I am very thankful to.

4-H: Seventeen youths between the ages of 7 and 14 are enrolled in *Grantham's Lucky Charms 4-H group*. 4-H will be an addition to Grantham's Old Home Day this year with displays and animals. The group learns life skills, crafts, enjoys social gatherings, and is involved in community service.

The Christmas decorations & town tree lighting: Every year on the Sunday after Thanksgiving my husband Dan and I do our best to decorate the town for the holidays. The tree lighting is also held that evening. This year's event drew about 35 folks, all intimidated to raise up their voices in song. Ice filled our electrical outlet from previous rains, so it took our young Gregory Fahrner three tries to keep the connection going. At last we succeeded and the tree remained lit, glimmering in the evening snowfall.

The Gingerbread Man Cookie Decorating: This year, as in years past was a good one for the Gingerbread Man. 160 baked fellows once again ran out the door at A Yankee Barn Christmas. Thank you Missy Walla for all your help with this event.

New Year's Eve Family Dance: *Our Town* threw its usual early bird party with about 80 in attendance. The King and Queen of the New Year were Reese Armstrong and Kayla Zentmaier. The dance also serves as an *Our Town* fundraiser and will help cover the cost of the annual egg hunt.

The Town Wide Yard Sale: Held this year in the town hall as well as homes around the community was once again a successful day for shoppers.

Breakfast with Santa: Arrived right in the middle of Grantham's power outage, most people didn't know if we would still be there or cancel. So as a result the crowd was smaller than usual. Thanks to the Grantham Area Chamber Of Commerce, reliable Santa Claus arrived right on time and all went on as planned.

Our Town also hangs the American flags and maintains them throughout their stay on Main Street.

The Cooking Club for Kids: This is a 5 week winter activity which enrolled 20 excited chefs. A huge thank you to Kim Johnson for volunteering her time to head up the group.

Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party: An invitation to enjoy a theme birthday party in conjunction with Read Across America. The event was free. 75+ guests enjoyed the reading of Horton Hears a Who, played party games, won prices, received books and visited the town library table. It was a successful fun evening, complete with birthday cake. A huge thank you to Melissa White, our new administrative assistant, for getting the projector up and running. Her knowledge saved me from a sure heart attack.

The Annual Rabies Clinic: Held in March at the town's fire department. This annual community service was well attended.

Ice skating: New this year on the tennis court at the recreation park. It was an undertaking I will not soon forget. Each year I plan to offer a safe space available for public skating at the park. Help is always needed to help clean the snow off the ice, a shovel is available near the rink. It will take a community to maintain it so please chip in as you see needed.

Volunteers: Thank you to all who have stepped foreword to give their time at one or more *Our Town* events. Volunteers are key to any program and I welcome help at any time. A huge thank you to my family who are always there to pitch in. And to the Walla family, who have given their time at several events; I appreciate all you do.

In an effort to help out a fundraising endeavor, and to be honest take a little of the load off of my part time status, the *Turkey Dinner* was passed onto the Grantham Methodist Church. I hope they make it their own and it continues to be a successful annual community gathering and fundraiser for them.

Our Town as always, works hard at promoting all events. I produce the monthly "Our Town" newsletter that is distributed through the school and town's web site. I produce flyers and advertising, provide photos to the Eagle Times and try to highlight Grantham and its residents whenever possible.

Every other Tuesday is now time spent on park related items, at the town park meeting. The planning of the Shedd Road property will become the space this community has always dreamed of. Until then we will use what we have and look forward to what it can be. Please come out with your families and take advantage of the activities that *Our Town* provides in your own back yard. As always Old Home Day is funded with tax dollars, but all the other events that *Our Town* produces is accomplished with fundraising. Thus keeping activities low cost or free to the community. It has been a pleasure to provide you with a few smiles.

Sincerely

Laurie Field

Grantham Recreation Park Committee

At the March 2008 Grantham Town Meeting, the voters approved the purchase of the 26.43 acre site previously owned by the Wein family just off Route 10 in the south end of Grantham. The Town officially took title to the property on July 1, 2008, and the Grantham Ball Field Committee was expanded and renamed the Grantham Recreation Park Committee. The new Committee immediately set to work on short-term and long-term initiatives for the park.

In the short-term, the committee leveraged the efforts of its members and interested townspeople to create an interim soccer field and parking area, which was used by the Grantham Youth Soccer program in September and October of 2008. Additionally, Committee members have preliminarily identified a site for a proposed playground.

To develop its long-term plans for the park, the Committee, with a generous gift of $2,800 from the Grantham Chamber of Commerce, contracted with the engineering firm of Gale Associates, Inc. of Weymouth, MA. Gale Associates, which has assisted Dartmouth College and the City of Claremont with athletics projects, also contributed a portion of their services on a pro-bono basis to create a site plan and budget for the project that will allow for responsible, environmentally sensitive development of the site over the next several years. The design plan for the new park includes a soccer field, a Little League baseball field, a men's softball field, a playground, two basketball courts, a pavilion, a sledding hill, walking trails and parking.

The new Grantham Recreation Park will offer unlimited access to Grantham residents for many recreational opportunities throughout the year. Spring and summer activities will include baseball, softball, swimming, hiking, playing on the playground, picnics and concerts under the pavilion and the annual Old Home Day event on July 4th. Fall activities will include soccer, the annual Build-a-Scarecrow event, and blueberry picking. Winter activities will include ice skating, sledding, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling. The new recreation building will offer a meeting place for several organizations including the new 4-H group, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts.

The Committee is currently working on a detail project budget, fundraising and public awareness of the project.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Grantham Recreation Park Committee Members
Warren Kimball, Chair, Laurie Field, Marsha Googins
Jamie Hunt, Rick Anderson, Todd Cartier,
Sarah Johnson, Jodie Jones-Poljacik, Todd French,
Ken O'Keefe, Missy Walla, Secretary

SCS Southwestern Community Services

* Direct Assistance to Residents:	$30,799.47
** Economic Impact:	$76,998.68
1.5% of Direct Assistance:	$500.00
***Total Number of Household Served:	47
***Total Number of Residents Served:	90
Average Benefit Per Household:	655.31
Average Benefit Per Resident:	342.22

* Property Taxes and Administrative Payroll are NOT included in the direct assistance or economic impact totals.
** Economic Impact is calculated by multiplying the direct assistance by a factor of 2.5
*** Some Households receive benefits from more than one program and may therefore be duplicated. However, the amount shown as Direct Assistance to Residents is the actual expenditures to the residents of this town.

Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc.

DID YOU KNOW? COA operates on $125,000 budget each year. COA relies on private donations from members and businesses for 70% of its operating funds. The remaining 30% comes from the nine towns it serves.

COA's ability to keep its budget very low, is due to its large workforce of volunteers. Currently COA has 230 active volunteers who run all of the programs offered, act as receptionists, data entry clerks, drivers, instructors, etc. Because of our excellent volunteers we are able to offer so many programs and services for no cost to anyone who participates. The only costs being of course, the administrative and building related (heat, lights, computers) costs of running an organization.

Dear Friends,

Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA) remains grateful for the opportunities to provide home health, hospice, long-term care and community health services to all residents of Grantham. Our Mission remains to provide these services to support the dignity and independence of all individuals and families in your community. We strongly believe in the value and necessity of home care and the LSRVNA Board of Directors has reaffirmed that, within its financial resources, the Agency will continue to provide Grantham residents with all its services, except for long-term private duty care, regardless of insurance coverage or any patient's ability to pay for care.

LSRVNA has always embraced the role of technology in home health care. Utilization of newer and sophisticated treatments have enabled some individuals to recover in their homes when, just a few years ago, their only options were to remain in a hospital or to receive care in a nursing home. Although the Agency does perform the most modern home care treatments available, when compared to much of our health care system, we are somewhat low-tech providers. Our greatest and most valuable asset is the personalized one-on-one care and teaching that our nurses, therapists, home health aides, homemakers, volunteers and counselors provide to our patients.

Unfortunately, health care reimbursement is often driven by technology and procedures such as MRIs and operations; home care remains an under-funded component of the system. For example, the average charge for two nights of room, board and nursing care (not including any tests, medications or procedures) in a hospital is roughly equal to the amount of money that a VNA is reimbursed for providing up to 60 days of Medicare-funded home care! As a result, LSRVNA depends on the financial support of the towns and individuals within the area it serves. That is why your ongoing support is so vitally necessary.

Over the past 12 months, LSRVNA staff provided care to more than 340 Grantham residents. Here is a partial breakdown of the services provided:

- Community health clinics (blood pressure, foot care, well child and flu clinics) provided services to at least 240 individuals;
- Our staff made over 1920 home care visits to 102 children, adults and newborns;
- Fifteen elderly and disabled individuals received over 2,750 hours of supportive in-home care; and,
- Twelve residents received compassionate end-of-life care in their homes through our hospice program. Their families and loved ones will be provided with bereavement and grief support services at no charge.

Again, although I believe that a vibrant VNA is an integral part of any community, LSRVNA would not exist without your ongoing support. Speaking on behalf of all Agency employees, I am grateful for your continued support and wish you all happiness and the best of health in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Scott Fabry, RN
President and CEO

Grantham Community Crisis Fund

"Neighbor Helping Neighbor"

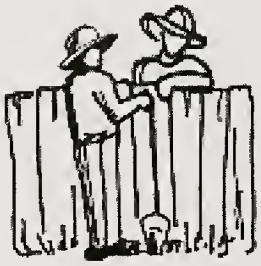
The goal of the Grantham Crisis Fund is to offer assistance in unforeseen crisis. We are not a long-term solution to economic woes, but a helping hand to rise above the problem. This help comes in the form of financial donations that we receive from the private individuals of Grantham and the local organizations that choose to sponsor us. With their help we have been able to assist when we have been called upon. We cannot stress enough our gratitude to these people and organizations.

The year 2008 was once again busy for us as various needs presented themselves to our committee. As we are all aware, the economic downturn this year made situations that might have before seemed slight turn into large obstacles.

We all know one brief emergency can be very costly and when insurance is not an option, it can be overwhelming to a family in need. Most of our requests were for assistance for utilities, food and medical bills. All our monies come from donations and we assist only in Grantham so the money you give stays in this community.

Please feel free to call for questions about assistance for you or for someone whom you may know that is in crisis. Our goal is to be as discreet as possible whenever we assist. You may call any of our members at the following numbers.

Deborah Cheever	863-5946
Cindy Towle	863-3156
Arthur Lotz	863-9745
Terry Dorr	863-4028
Kris Widmann	863-7083



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL REPORT
By Raymond S. Burton

Though I could reflect on the past 30 years that I've served on the NH Executive Council, and the eighteen years I have served as Grafton County Commissioner, I must face the clock and realize that time is moving forward, NOT backward. Here are some thoughts on the future.

Rural America will face some real challenges in the financing of local budgets. Government is a people business! Communities are populated by people who use the existing representative structure to reflect their desire and needs. I don't see any big amounts of new money coming out of Concord. The new money will come from Washington, DC. President-elect Obama and the incoming Congress are poised to do something. Maybe they don't know exactly what yet, but something has to be done. New regulations are needed to curb the gouging and unregulated public money going for worthless causes by unscrupulous and undisciplined individuals and businesses. State Government is broken and doesn't have the political backbone to rein in some of the excessiveness we see and read about everyday. It all has to start in the US Congress led by the new President.

Here in District One the outdoor recreation industry will grow and enhance our economic base with a wide variety of land uses. Expanded ski areas, snowmobile/ATV parks, wide use of the river systems and lakes plus many more campgrounds and trails in public forests are but the beginning.

I would appreciate your ideas and wider expanded aspirations.

It is a pleasure to serve you.

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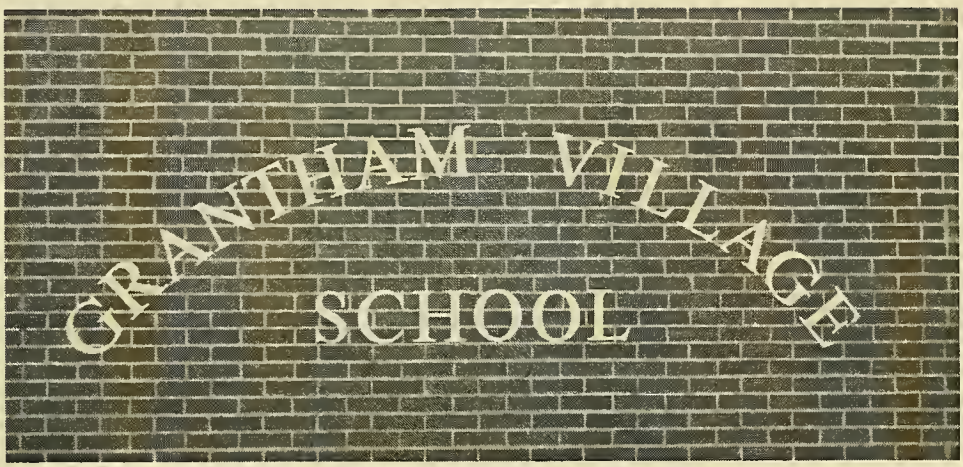
GRANTHAM VILLAGE
SCHOOL

Annual Report
Grantham Village School
SAU #75

For the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2008

OFFICERS & PERSONNEL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Carl Hanson, MODERATOR

Heather Grohbrugge, TREASURER

Brenda Malloy, SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

Margaret A. Sullivan, SUPERINTENDENT

Maren Ardell, SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Linda Kosiorek, STAFF ACCOUNTANT

Kurt Gergler, PRINCIPAL

Norton Tilton, GVS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Laurie Hanks, CHAIR

Jeffrey Walla, VICE CHAIR

Douglas Caffrey, SECRETARY

Leslie Brown

David Armstrong

APPROVED RULES FOR 2008

GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

1. No article may be brought up for reconsideration unless it is brought up immediately after the vote has been determined and announced.

2. Passing over an article is not in the spirit of the meeting and will be ruled out of order.

3. Registered voters will be seated on the main floor and in the center of the bleachers. Nonvoters will be seated in side sections of the bleachers. Nonvoters who are not officers of the school district may be allowed to address the meeting only if the meeting votes to permit it.

4. Whenever a voter wished to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify herself or himself.

5. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when five voters make a written request prior to voice or division vote on any article open for discussion. (RSA 41:4a)

6. The moderator will take a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any nonballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any business is conducted. (RSA 40:4b)

7. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to vote of the amendment.

Grantham School Board Members	Laurie Hanks, Chair PO Box 137, Grantham, NH 863-1239 lfhanks@comcast.net Term Expires 2009
Jeffrey Walla 201 Walker Road, Grantham, NH 863-4974 jwalla@bdmp.com Term Expires 2010	Leslie Brown PO Box 50, Grantham, NH 863-7586 brownlesa@gmail.com Term Expires 2009
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TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT 2009

March 18, 2009
Sullivan, ss School District of Grantham

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Village School Gymnasium in Grantham, New Hampshire, on Wednesday, March 18, 2009, at 7:00 PM to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. Shall the Grantham School District vote to hear the reports of agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto?

ARTICLE 2. Shall the Grantham School District vote to raise and appropriate six million, six hundred and eighty-one thousand, two hundred ninety-five dollars ($6,681,295) **(operating budget including bond plus food service and federal grant programs)** for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the balance which is to be raised by taxation by the District? This Article does not include funds requested in any of the other warrant articles? (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 3. Shall the Grantham School District vote to name the Grantham School Board as agents to expend The Grantham School Building Construction Fund Capital Reserve established in 2004? (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 4. Shall the Grantham School District vote to raise and appropriate thirty-four thousand four hundred and seventy-five dollars ($34,475) for all enrichment programs at Grantham Village School? (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 5. Shall the Grantham School District vote to transfer the sum of twenty-two thousand, two hundred and twenty-five dollars ($22.225) from the 2008- 09 unexpended operating budget to reduce the 2007-08 general fund deficit pursuant to RSA 189:28-a? (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting?

Given under our hands and seal at said Grantham this 11th day of February, 2009.
A True Copy Attest:

Grantham School Board

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SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF:_____GRANTHAM_____ NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, __09_____to June 30, _10_____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1.Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): Feb. 11, 2008

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
Please sign in ink.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. WARR. ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/__ to 6/30/08	Appropriations Current Year 09 As Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY 10 (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		3,428,098.91	3,570,328.00	3,880,857.00	
1200-1299	Special Programs		448,752.59	565,120.00	610,881.00	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1499	Other Programs					
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1699	Adult & Community Programs					
	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services		203,817.86	218,405.00	222,884.00	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		70,911.00	119,285.00	124,370.00	
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2310 840	School Board Contingency					
2310-2399	Other School Board		45,965.14	23,248.00	25,123.00	
	EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services					
2320-2399	All Other Administration		191,767.01	174,160.00	197,600.00	
2400-2499	School Administration Service		183,578.41	190,784.00	211,669.00	
2500-2599	Business					
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		291,309.72	349,717.00	392,451.00	
2700-2799	Student Transportation		112,682.67	136,036.00	154,791.00	
2800-2999	Support Service, Central & Other					
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES					
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION		5,126.97	3,000.00	2,000.00	
	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal				352,100.00	
5120	Debt Service - Interest				382,123.00	
	FUND TRANSFERS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service		97,061.95	46,770.00	92,701.00	
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue (IDEA)		34,187.56	38,879.00	41,945.00	
5230-5239	To Capital Projects					
5251	To Capital Reserves (page 3)					
6252	To Expendable Trust (page 3)		70,000.00			
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts					
5254	To Agency Funds					
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.					
	SUPPLEMENTAL					
	DEFICIT					
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL		5,183,255.09	5,435,734.00	6,681,295.00	

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DRAFT audit Agreed to minutes warrant art # 2

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SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3.VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds ; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/__ 6/30/2008	Appropriations Current Year 2009As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY 10 (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
5230	School building renovation	183,211.71	7,550,000		na	
5252	Transfer to special ed expendable trust		16,000		na	
5252	Transfer to tuition expendable trust		30,000		na	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXX		XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/__ to 6/30/	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
1100	Collective bargaining - teacher contract		60,666.00		na	
1100	Enrichment Programs			4	34,475.00	
	Deficit warrant article				22,225.00	
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXX	56,700.00	XXXXXXXXX

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year 08	Revised Revenues Current Year 09	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR 10
	REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
1300-1349	Tuition				
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		18,800.95	21,000.00	20,000.00
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		57,357.95	78,319.00	58,000.00
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		1,393.11	5,000.00	-
	REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	School Building Aid		2,378.95	5,299.00	105,630.00
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid		14,732.13	-	14,700.00
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition		1,295.13	1,000.00	1,300.00
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
	REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants (IDEA)		34,187.56	-	41,945.00
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition		19,004.03	7,000.00	19,000.00
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution				
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes			7,150,000.00	
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		183,211.71	250,000.00	
		SUBTOTAL	332,361.52	7,517,618.00	260,575.00

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year 08	Revised Revenues Current Year 09	ESTIMATED REVENUES 2010 FISCAL YEAR
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES cont.		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
	INTEREST EARNED ON BOND PROCEEDS			150,000.00	
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY_____less RAN, Revenue Last FY_____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance				22,225.00
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes			400.00	
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		332,361.52	7,668,018.00	282,800.00

= dra approved MS-4 10-23-08

BUDGET SUMMARY

	2009 Current Year	2010 Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	5,435,734.00	6,681,295.00
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	7,656,668.00	
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)		56,700.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	13,092,402.00	6,737,995.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	7,668,018.00	282,800.00
Less: Amount of Statewide Enhanced Education Tax/Grant		
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	5,424,384.00	6,455,195.00

13,092,402.00 agreed to ms-22

agreed to DRA tax rate setting 10-29-08

Superintendent's Report

Dear Grantham Residents:

While reflecting on the past 18 months, I realize that it has been an exciting time of much progress. As I wrote last year, we are moving ahead by challenging ourselves to do better with everything we do, every day. The issues of student performance, school safety, budgeting and funding as well as building concerns continues to be at the forefront of our efforts and are incorporated into the goals of the Grantham School Board, where we strive to be a student centered school district, with no child is left behind. I am thrilled by the spirit of cooperation and dedication to the Grantham students, evident throughout the district.

These past 18 months have been very exhilarating, working with the building committee. Although it has been an enormous amount of work by many, our conversations have been full of hope and planning for the future. Additionally, I am proud of the great strides our school district is making in curriculum and instruction. We are actively working to support all our students with an expanded reading program, supporting continuous improvement for each student. We are also planning to pilot a new math program to rigorously raise standards. Overall our students are doing very well, and they are continually improving, as seen in the NH assessment score.

As a result of the poor economy, and like school districts across the nation, budgeting has been challenging, especially during these tough economic times. The School Board and Administration have worked hard, with belt tightening measures, to ensure that our school has adequate funding, so our children are not at risk during these rough economic times, and this goal has continually been balanced with a deep concern for taxpayers in the District.

As a member of the community of educators, I value the opinion and feedback of our students, parents, teachers, principal, and district faculty. I promise to actively listen and to seek input from our fellow community members. It is important to support you through this challenging economic time and I will continue to champion the needs of our first priority: the student.

And, in closing, I would like to thank all of you, community and staff, who have made a difference in the lives of our students. I share a passion for education and believe that given the right tools and the excellence of our dedicated teachers, students can flourish beyond expectations, propelling us toward a better and brighter future. Of course, challenges continue to lie ahead as we look at building concerns and continue to update curriculum and instruction to provide a quality education for each student as he/she enters the world beyond GVS .

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret A. Sullivan
Superintendent, Grantham School District

Principal's Report
January 2009

This has been an exciting year at Grantham Village School! Our BIG NEWS is the construction project that will create new classrooms on the north end of the building and renovate much of the existing building. On November 24, 2009, a groundbreaking ceremony kicked off the official construction of the new building project. A student from each grade was drawn and took part in the big dig. The construction fence went up in the north end of the parking lot along with the placement of the construction trailer. With the arrival of the construction phase the drop off and pick up procedures were changed to accommodate the flow of traffic. The south end of the building received some attention and became the staff and overflow parking. This new parking lot will be paved in the spring when weather permits.

The Groundbreaking Ceremony. November
From left to right: Katy Nagy; Rosemary Johnson; Sophia Miller; Mr. Gergler; Caroline Wren; Maddie Brown; Patrick Hansen; Reese Armstrong

Over the December break steel support columns were placed in the cafeteria and the new roof over the central portion of the building was completed.

Forms were placed and concrete was poured to create the foundation to the new addition of the building.

The ceilings were opened throughout the hallways and classrooms for inspection. Over the past few months the existing fill was replaced with more compactable fill and hole for the new addition was dug. Much of the construction work goes smoothly without interruption and is contained near the north end of the building. Future plans for the rest of this school year includes the completion of the new addition complete with plumbing, mechanical and electrical and bricking of the exterior walls. A new roof is scheduled for the end of June and renovation of the existing school area will be completed by August. September will bring the start of the 2009-2010 school year and we are hopeful that we will be returning to our new completed school.

This year brought about several changes to the staff at GVS. We welcomed some new faces to Grantham Village School along with some current staff taking on different assignments. Those changes are as follows:

-Mrs. Lyn Benson as 6th grade special education paraeducator
-Mrs. Kathy Martin as 2nd grade classroom teacher
-Mrs. Kristen Reed as 1st grade classroom teacher
-Mrs. Patricia Canning as special education teacher
-Mrs. Mary Sanborn as K-2nd grade special education paraeducator
-Mrs. Brenda Molloy as PM secretary/receptionist
-Mrs. Betty Larrabee as Art Teacher
-Mrs. Barbara Foster as Speech Therapist
-Mrs. Kim Johnson became our 4th grade classroom teacher
-Mrs. Lynn Wallace became our reading interventionist
-Ms. Jennifer Stark became our Kindergarten teacher
-Mr. Kevin Gianini became our 5th grade teacher

On behalf of the students and staff at Grantham Village School we would like to thank all of you for the continued support which made the new building project a reality. Thank you, especially to the parents, for your continued patience, and understanding during this very important construction phase of the project.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt Gergler
Principal

Grantham Village School Staff List
2008-2009

Mr. Scott Allaire	Grade 4 Teacher
Mrs. Jackie Atherley	Kindergarten Teacher
Mrs. Debra Bailey	Food Service
Ms. Janice Beal	Student Teacher Grade 3
Ms. Deehee Bechta	Grade 5 Teacher
Mrs. Lyn Benson	Paraprofessional
Ms. Kristen Bitler	Nurse
Mrs. Maren Boothby	Speech Language Pathologist
Mrs. Mary Bovea	Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
Mrs. Denise Buckman	Grade 3 Teacher
Mrs. Patricia Canning	Special Education Teacher
Mrs. Shelia Cardamone	Physical Therapist
Mrs. Wanda Clark	Music Teacher
Mrs. Diana Conine	Media Specialist
Mr. Rob Crutchfield	Grade 3 Teacher
Mr. Roger Dontonville	Physical Education Teacher
Ms. Nancy Edgar-Howard	Reading Specialist
Mrs. Tara Evans	Grade 6 Teacher
Mrs. Laurie Field	Paraprofessional
Ms. Barbara Foster	Speech Assistant
Ms. Debra Freyman	Special Education Teacher
Mr. Kurt Gergler	Principal
Mr. Kevin Gianini	Grade 5 Teacher
Mrs.Michele Gilliatt	Paraprofessional
Mrs. Marsha Googins	Paraprofessional
Mrs. Anna Harwood	Grade 2 Teacher
Mrs. Andrea Head	Paraprofessional
Ms. Kim Johnson	Grade 4 Teacher
Ms. Celina Lariviere	Paraprofessional
Ms. Betty Larrabee	Art Teacher
Mrs. Linda Malnati	Paraprofessional
Mrs. Katherine Martin	Grade 2 Teacher
Mrs. Brenda Molloy	Secretary
Mrs. Jeanne Mouser	Grade 1 Teacher
Mrs. Deloris Netzband	Guidance Counselor
Mr. Michael Palermo	Custodian
Mr. Jim Palermo	Maintenance
Ms. Mandy Perkins	Art Teacher - Substitute
Mrs. Kristen Reed	Grade 1 Teacher
Mr. Oliver Renehan	Custodian
Mrs. Mary Richard	Paraprofessional
Mrs. Gay Sabin	Grade 6 Teacher
Mrs. Mary Sanborn	Paraprofessional
Ms. Jennifer Stark	Kindergarten Teacher
Mrs. Wilma Stearns	Food Service
Mrs. Nora Tilton	Administrative Assistant
Ms. Alissa Vassileva	Strings Instructor
Mrs. Lynn Wallace	Reading Interventionist Teacher
Mrs. Misty Word	Food Service
Mrs. Pam Waltzer	Instrumental Music Teacher

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REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34 AND 198:4-a)

Fiscal Year: 2009

School District: Grantham **SAU #:** 75

Mailing Address: PO Box 287
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CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

(To be completed after annual or special meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the school district meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

SCHOOL BOARD

Please sign in ink.

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

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Budget - School District of Grantham Fiscal Year 2009

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Total Amount Actually Voted Ensuing Fiscal Year	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BREAKDOWN	MIDDLE JUNIOR HIGH BREAKDOWN	HIGH SCHOOL BREAKDOWN
	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)					
1100-1199	Regular Programs	3,4	3,574,898	1,451,121	902,360	1,221,417
1200-1299	Special Programs	3,4	583,806	583,806		
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		0	0		
1400-1499	Other Programs		0	0		
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs					
	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)					
2000-2199	Student Support Services	3,4	216,308	216,308		
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	3,4	119,299	119,299		
2310 840	School Board Contingency					
2310-2319	Other School Board	3	23,332	23,332		
2320 310	SAU Management Services	3	175,160	175,160		
2320-2399	Other Executive Administration		0			
2400-2499	School Administration Service	3	191,094	191,094		
2500-2599	Business		0			
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	3,4	348,269	348,269		
2700-2799	Student Transportation	3	136,038	136,038		
2800-2999	Support Service,Central/Other		0			
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES					
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION	2,3	7,403,000			
	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)					
5110	Debt Service - Principal					
5120	Debt Service - Interest					
	FUND TRANSFERS					
5220-5221	To Food Service	3	86,319			
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	3	38,879			
5230-5239	To Capital Projects					
5251	To Capital Reserves					
5252	To Expendable Trust	6	30,000			
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts					
5254	To Fiduciary Funds					
5310	To Charter Schools					
5390	To Other Agencies					
	DEFICIT APPROPRIATION					
	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION					
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			12,926,402	3,244,427	902,360	1,221,417

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Budget - School District of Grantham Fiscal Year 2009

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION	FUNCTION	OBJECT	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE JR. HIGH	HIGH	TOTAL
Tuition to NH LEAs	All	561		902,360	1,221,417	2,123,777
Other Tuition	All	562-569	16,000			16,000
Land and Improvements	All *	710				
Buildings	All *	720				7,400,000
Additional Equipment	All *	730				0
Summer School	1430					0

* Includes all functions except 4000

Detail on items to be financed by bonds, notes, and/or withdrawals from capital reserve funds.

Purpose	Amount
Building addition and renovations	$ 7,400,000

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM MS-22

PAGE 1 SIGNATURES	District Clerk: The school district clerk must sign in the space provided as acknowledgment that this report reflects the budget actually voted or approved at the school district meeting. Superintendent: The superintendent must sign in the space provided as acknowledgement that school records are in agreement with this report. School Board: The school board must sign this form t acknowledge the appropriations actually voted at the district meeting.
PAGE 2 APPROPRIATIONS	Report all appropriations, (including special articles and items voted from fund balance), approved by the school district and/or city council in the column entitled "Total Amount Actually Voted Ensuing FY". Distribute the approved line item appropriations in the columns for elementary junior high, and high school unless their purpose is of a general nature. The column entitled "Warr. Art. # is for the warrant article number(s) for the ensuing year's budget.
PAGE 3	REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - Please complete this information for the Department of Education's statistical information. Report in accordance with the "New Hampshire Financial Accounting Handbook for Local Education Agencies".
REPORT DISTRIBUTION	Within 20 days after the annual or special meeting(s), send a copy of this report to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below. Send a copy to the Board of Selectmen (RSA 198:4-a) and to the Department of Education, Bureau of Information Services, 101 Pleasant St., Concord, NH 03301-3860.

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Grantham Village School District Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2008

Moderator Carl Hanson called the 2007 Grantham Village School district Meeting to order at 7:21 p.m. Mr. Hanson recognized Cynthia Chew, Chair of the School Board, and the rest of the school board members. He next recognized Superintendent Margaret Sullivan and Principal Kurt Gergler. The school board presented School Board Chairperson Cynthia Chew with a certificate for her 6 years of service on the board. Mr. Hanson explained the voting procedures to the audience. He also explained that Article 2 would be voted on by yes/no ballot and the polls would remain open for one hour from the time of opening. Mr. Hanson asked for a voice vote to approve the discussion of Article 9 (SB2) during the hour the polls remained open for Article 2. A unanimous vote was heard to approve discussion on Article 9 during the polling hour for Article 2.

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto. **School Board member Doug Caffrey made motion to approve Article 1 as written. A second from Jay Thompson was made. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

ARTICLE 2. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,400,000 (Gross Budget) for renovations to the existing facility and new construction and original equipping of an addition to the Grantham Village School building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than $7,150.000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the school board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of $250,000 from the School Building Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose and further to appropriate up to $150,000 of bond interest to be used toward this project. (The School Board recommends this article) (2/3 ballot vote required). **School Board member Leslie Brown made motion to approve Article 2 as written. A second was made by Kelly Cornish.**

Moderator Hanson recognized Leslie Brown to review Article 2. Leslie explained she would go through the project details and Jeffrey Walla would go over the actual budget numbers. Leslie explained the building project started in 2002. Chair Cynthia Chew was the remaining board member since the project began. Leslie explained in 2002 the art/music room which was just built as part of the expansion at that time was converted into a regular classroom space. The board was concerned during that time over loosing the space but also how many preschoolers were in Grantham that would be entering the school. In 2003, the NESDC (New England School Development Council) was contracted to do a study projecting how many students would enter GVS. Thos projections did not pan out. The second half of the study was done by Bill Zimmerman pro bono which was a facility review. The study looked at deficiencies in the building and some of which the school board was able to correct in the following year or two. Some of those deficiencies were space dependent and have yet to be corrected. In 2004, the first $100,000 was put into a capital reserve fund for building expansion. In 2005, a long reach planning committee was formed to look at the need for expansion. They spent a lot of time looking at the population of the elementary school age children in the town

and also to determine if the 7th and 8th grades should return as part of GVS. It was determined that the 7th and 8th grade was not something that could happen in the near future. In 2005, Architect Bruce Hamilton & Associates was hired to look at how much could be built on the GVS site. They determined 13 additional classrooms and 4 specialized spaces as the maximum build out possibilities. In 2007, the school board put together the GVS Expansion committee also known as The Building Committee. Leslie introduced the building committee members as: Bob McCarthy a retired educator, Tony Hanslin from Yankee Barn, and Andy Schmidt. Two former members of the building committee were Tanya McIntire and Jack Clegg. Jack passed away in January 2008 and was a great loss to the committee. Carl Andrezeack, who was not in attendance, was brought on the committee when Mr. Clegg could no longer attend. Mr. Andrezeack has extensive experience in multi-million dollar projects and a lot of mechanical knowledge. She also introduced Architects Jay Dougherty from HL Turner, Carolina Burt from the Architectural Studios in Grantham. Both presented a proposal jointly. HL Turner has a wonderful reputation for building elementary schools. Carolina Burt is a local talent. During the building committee process Grantham Village School has continued to grow. In June 2002, the student population was 191. In June 2005, a staff room was converted to another classroom as the population grew to 205. The temporary portable classrooms were installed in June 2006 at that time there were 217 students. Today, GVS has an enrollment of 242 which is up 9 from the end of June 2007. Leslie stated GVS needs more classroom space in addition to the present space for the current student population. This includes the 2 classrooms in the portable building, the classroom that is now in the teacher's lounge and the classroom that is in a very small kindergarten space. There is a great deficiency in core space. As we move different uses out of spaces to put classrooms in we have to move those spaces into a smaller space and so on into a spiral effect.. For example, the former teachers lounge is now a 2nd grade classroom. Safety and security is also another reason to reconfigure core space. Controlling access to the school is important. We also need to have space to effectively deliver of school programs. The number one concern from the staff is air quality in the building. By putting in a better mechanical system this can be addressed. Major ice jams and moisture is another concern that will be taken care of the in the renovation. Electrical code issues along with American Disability act concerns will be taken care of as well. Life cycle cost analysis is being used to look at energy efficiency. Leslie pointed to the slide of the school renovation explaining the new space. The current design of the school renovation was picked from 9 submitted designs. This design allows for two zones for classrooms and a centralized core along with the ability to expand. It lends itself to construction phasing. Most of the addition will be done during the summer with the expansion going on during the school year. This phasing will allow area to be sectioned off and kept safe with less impact to the kids during the school year. Some key points to renovating are limited demolition; it's a known foundation and there is no need to relocate the septic and sprinkler systems. Most of the changes to the original design were based on public forums and feedback. Four extra classrooms in the original design to be used for growth were removed because of feedback from the projected population. Smaller changes were made to classroom size bringing them down to state requirements along with removing a few bathrooms. The project fundamentals are still the same and a plan for additional classrooms is in place for future expansion. The new school will be more energy

efficient and safe in all areas of the building which will mean lower operating costs. Leslies pointed to the timetable slide explaining the occupancy date will be September 2009. Jeffrey Walla explained the budget costs of the renovation project pointing to the slides and the handouts each person received from the supervisors of the checklist. The overall project is $7,090,000 in total. The new addition is approximately 14,500 sq ft with a cost of 2.3 million. This is a reduction from the original proposal of 20,800 sq ft at a cost of 3.1 million. The project financing is $7,090,000 less capital reserve fund of $250,000 with added $310,000 of construction period interest and cost of insurance bringing the total to $7,150,000. State Building Aid is approximately $2,145,000 over a 20 year period of the life of the bond. Added Interest over life of Bond—Level Principal Bond at $3,768,063 brings the total debt service requirements to $8,773,063. Present Value of Total Debt service requirements are $5,836,727. Grantham is the second lowest of the surrounding towns in terms of local education tax rate of $6.98. The impact on tax rate per $1,000 of assessed value ranges from $1.14 to .48 over the life of the bond. For example if your property assessed value is $150,000 your annual average annual cost is $119 or average monthly cost of $10. **Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further discussion on Article 2.** Jean Liepold went over the past NESDC report of projected student population increases and lack of current space at the school. She also stated the previous 3 suggestions addressing those issues made by Mr. Zimmerman of cleaning up the current building at a cost of $10,000 to $15,000; the second option was constructing an addition to the school and minor modifications to the existing building such as special ed reading room, music/art teaching, four general purpose classrooms; PT room and cafeteria and kitchen expansion with a total of 9,555 sq ft at a cost of $1,146,000 and put a bridge in for $500,000 for a second access roadway. With the inflation adjustment for 2006 construction the cost would be $1.86 million. She asked the school board why the committee didn't go ahead with Mr. Zimmerman's plan given the projected student population of 259 is not reached yet and the current building capacity is 250 pupils. Carl Hanson asked for further discussion on article 2. Laura Zentmaier stated she supported the building proposal. She gave a few current reasons why she feels the building expansion she be approved. The first was the 6th grade class had to be evacuated because it was raining in their classroom. It was also raining inside the 4th grade classroom. It's not safe for the kids and also a distraction to them to move around. Both her children came home from school today with headaches due to the high level of carbon dioxide in the classroom. She also is concerned about access to the building and safety of the children with classrooms located outside of the main building and not connected. Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Bill Zimmerman. He explained the study NESDC performed several years ago was a very preliminary study. It simply identified options available including minor matters the school board could address and did address those matters. It also gave an option of adding on to the school and doing some renovations to the school building itself. It also looked at the feasibility of bringing back the 7th and 8th grade and construction a much larger building to either this site or another site. The NESDC study was for purposes of a study only for the school board to resolve some of those issues. The school board has moved forward on several issues and appointed a very competent board made up of life times of experience in finance, construction and education. In addition, the school board has selected one of the finest school architect firms in the Northeast. They have proposed an outstanding plan that

corrects the most important part of the building which is the major core of the facility. Special Education is a critical part of the building space. When the school was designed and built in 1979 that predated the special education laws. Since then, the special education laws have demanded a whole variety of programs for special education children for which we have no facilities to handle. We are currently using hallways, closets and other inappropriate places for special education. When the two additions were built no expansion of the core space was made. All we did at that time was add classroom space to take care of the current enrollment of the school. The cafeteria, library and the core spaces were never expanded. This current proposal does in fact expand the core spaces. It puts the library at the core to be a real instructional center where it should be. It's a very exciting plan. He stated he was a bit disappointed the additional classrooms were removed since he feels they will be needed in another 5 years or so. The architects have designed the new building in such a way that those classrooms can be added at a later time. The core will support those added classrooms as well. He stated he and his wife wholeheartedly support the plan. He feels if the voters do not support the plan the problems will not go away. The air quality will not improve, the leaks will not stop, the space will not be there and we will have even more trailers out on the ball field. As new people come into town and as the realtors show them around the first thing they see approaching the school is portable trailers. Not to mention the inside of the school in its current conditions. That will hurt the values of the properties in Grantham. Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Helen Schotanus. She stated she was on the school board from 1986-1995 and was part of some of the additions that went on during that time. She feels this project is so much better now and is in total favor of it. Carl Hanson recognized Lorie McClory. Lorie asked if the plan includes making the stage handicap accessible; if the septic system can handle the new renovations and what is the plan if this does not pass tonight. Leslie Brown, school board member, the stage issues was identified and not at the top of the list. It is being evaluated for ADA and safety reasons. A lift is being looked in to as a possible answer to the issue. The septic system is good as far as capacity. When the last addition was put in they used a 25 gal per day per person equation because we had locker rooms. We do not have locker rooms as they are used as storage and we don't need locker rooms in an elementary school. We were able to use a 15 gallon per person daily rate which is good up to 400 people. We are about 300 with students and staff currently. If the building proposal doesn't pass the school board will be back next year with another proposal.
Richard Hoffman spoke about his experience of being in the education field in Virginia. He saw designs of some of the best schools in this country come together and what happened to test scores when the school had adequate facilities. Then he saw what happened to the quality of education when towns nickel and dime the schools and put portable facilities in place. When the children have to spend time physically walking between outside buildings which were not adequately heated and insulated the quality of the education for the entire the school district went down. Test results were low and the children got a poor education all the way around. Some of these schools started out as award winning schools. He stated the children are out future of our town, the state, the nation and this world. Any investment put in to improving the quality of education of the town will pay off better than stocks. He said he has seen what happens when the town invests in the quality of education and when it does not. He supports the plan.

Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further discussion to Article 2. John Rogers of Stocker Pond spoke. He stated with the town office, the town fire station and the new school maybe it's time to look at putting a boiler generator plant to offset rising costs fuels. He also suggested getting two surplus 80' railroad flat cars to make the bridge access road. They will each hold over 100 ton. He thought maybe the cost would be near $50,000. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for futher discussion. Carl Hanson explained the yes/no ballot procedures. The polls were open at 8:10 for voting on Article 2 and balloting took place. They remained open for 1 hour until all voters voted. While voting on Article 2 proceeded, Article 9 was discussed as voted by unanimous vote at the beginning of the meeting. **Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Chairperson Cynthia Chew to address Article 9. Article 2 was approved by a 2/3 vote with 317 ballots cast 239 in favor 78 opposed. Article 2 was adopted as written.**

ARTICLE 9. We, the undersigned registered voters of Grantham, NH, petition the Grantham School Board to include the following as an article on the March 2008 School District warrant. "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the School District on the second Tuesday of March?" This article requires a 3/5 majority. Discussion ensued with regard to Article 9 to be voted on March 11 by ballot.

Chairperson Cynthia Chew made motion to approve Article 9 as written. A second from Margery Bastrom was heard. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further discussion.

Cynthia Chew explained some of the downsides to SB2. Everything is discussed at a deliberative session. If you don't vote at the deliberative session you are only given a chance to vote yes or no at the ballots. You only get one chance to change things and that is at the deliberative session. She explained that Hanover is an SB2 town and their meeting had only 2 people attending. She stated that is those 2 people brought 6 of their friends they could change any warrant. In an open meeting you hear opposing sides and can gather more information. She said some of those in favor of SB2 get their information from the newspapers. She cautioned that the newspapers only print what they find interesting and not all the facts. Holding public forums gives people an opportunity to hear all the proposed facts and a chance to be heard. Another problem is if the legislature changes a rule the town has to abide by the rule. You do not have an opportunity to change it. If you are an SB2 town you need a 16% vote to change back to a non SB2. Several towns around Grantham have tried to change back from SB2 without any success. It lends itself to small groups taking over meetings and affecting change. Sunapee is an SB2 town and this year their ballot is 8 pages. SB2 takes away small town meetings. She stated she was not in favor of SB2. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further discussion. Jean Liepold spoke about SB2 in Sunapee. She stated every Sunapee postal resident received a booklet of town proposals, warrants, etc two weeks before voting day to look over before they vote. She stated that SB2 prevents small groups in towns to push things through. It gives everyone an opportunity to vote all day. She stated last year 55 people attended Grantham annual meeting and voted on a 6 million dollar budget. She felt that the SB2 gives voters who work very long hours an opportunity to vote at any time during the day and not just during the session. She stated those she

works with in the Sunapee school system like the SB2 system. She has not heard anything negative about it. Having information sent to voters there is no reason why people wouldn't have the information before they vote. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further discussion. He recognized Merle Schotanus. Merle stated he wanted to give a little history on SB2. He was the moderator and state representative when former Senator Jim Rubens introduced the bill to the legislature in 1995. He opposed it at that time. It was designed to solve the turn out problem of town and school meeting and to control spending. He feels this law is of unattended consequences. It does not work in small towns. He stated he knows of three towns trying to get out of the SB2 law. It prevents an exchange of ideas at town meeting. He is not in favor of SB2. Claudia Hoffman stated she is very busy and seems to take the time to do lots of things and thinks that once or twice a year for something this important she can make it. A member of the audience spoke that it is important not to disenfranchise voters. He stated that as the town grows a problem also develops of where to put everyone who attends. He stated it was not fair to limit the window of voting time. If people can not make the time then their vote is not cast and therefore not counted. It's a constitutional right to vote. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion. John asked what exactly does SB2 does or doesn't do so the voters will be in a good position to vote next week. Moderator Hanson asked Merle Schotanus to answer the question. Merle stated it divided a town into two sessions. One is a deliberative and one is to vote. They are usually two weeks apart. All of the articles are explained and a default budget is included and a proposed budget is included in the article. The only difference between the two is at the deliberative session an article can be altered. It can not be voted up or down. Once that discussion is over the article is put on the ballot. If the budget that is proposed is voted down then the town has literally adopted the default budget. The default budget is the previous year's budget. This may or may not be more than the proposed budget. Nothing can be done outside the mandate. The board can restructure the budget and hold a special third meeting to only operate on that budget. About 60 out of 220 towns have adopted SB2 since it went into law in 1996. Around 59 of 172 school districts have also installed SB2 and none of them have been able to rescind it. Most of the deliberative session turn outs are relatively low and a small group can manipulate the system. To address the lack of space a simulcast town meeting can be done. Towns that have adopted SB2 are small and it does destroy a sense of community. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further discussion. No further discussion was heard and article 9 was closed. He reminded folks that the vote for Article 9 would be Tuesday, March 11th from 10:00 am - 7:00 pm in the town building. He stated that at this time the ballots still have 20 minutes to remain open. He asked for a vote to continue with Article 3. It was a unanimous vote to continue.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will raise and appropriate five million, three hundred and ninety-six thousand, eight hundred and fifty-five dollars ($5,434,934) **(operating budget plus food service and IDEA federal grant)** for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the balance which is to be raised by taxation by

the District. This Article does not include funds requested in any of the other warrant articles. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board)
Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Jeffrey Walla for a motion to approve Article 3 as written. Moderator Hanson stated he received a request for a paper ballot vote for Article 3. A second was heard from Dan McClory. Jeffrey Walla explained a correction in the 2007-2008 school budget bottom line increase from $233,676 or 4.53% to $272,555 or 5.28%. He further explained major increases in the budget are special education and reading instruction ($89,637), building administration (10,340), tuition ($82,274), utilities and fuel ($7,763) and transportation (27,900). Laurie Hanks explained the increase in special education and reading instruction. Currently there is 1.5 special ed teachers. There are 28 students who have been identified as needing special education. The state requires 1 teacher per 14. Another ½ time special education teacher is needed. There are currently 1.5 reading specialists. Previously, a REAP grant and Title 1 funds has covered the cost and is not a guarantee so this cost is addressed in the budget. Currently, about 52 students receive reading instruction. Jeffrey Walla explained the Lebanon Jr. High tuition costs. In the past, a phantom number has been added to cover an additional student which has been removed this year. There are 52 students in 2008 with a cost of $12,714 per students for a total of $661,128. In 2009, 68 students will attend at a cost of $13,270 per student for a total of $902,360. This represents an increase of $241,232. The Lebanon High school tuition decreased by $158,958 over last year. There are 125 students for 2008 with a cost of $11,043 per student for a total of $1,380,375. In 2009, 113 students will attend at a cost of $10,809 for a total of $1,221,417. The net tuition increase is $82,274. Laurie Hanks addressed the building administration and Utilities and Fuel costs. The current principal was hired at a higher salary than what was budgeted for the former principal. The utilities and fuel costs have increased and they include propane, electricity and fuel. Laurie explained the transportation costs include an additional bus due to high volumes. The bus limit is 83. However, this number represents 3 people to a seat. If only 2 people are in a seat the bus limit is 55. There is about 20% of older students and about 80% of younger students riding the bus. Eight percent is about 2.5 people per seat. This brings up the bus limit is 64. School board members completed bus rider counts 12 separate days over a three week time frame to substantiate the need for an additional bus. Bus number G5 was over the 64 limit twice. Bus G6 was over 5 different days. Both buses at one time have been over the 83 limit before. Laurie then went over the School board salaries; Board Chair ($300), School board member (4 @$200), Treasurer ($500), School District Clerk ($100) and Moderator ($50). No change was made from the prior year. Jeffrey Walla went over the functional summary of the budget and explained the numbers on the handout and slide. He explained the per pupil cost for 2009 in gross terms with the entire budget divided by the number of pupils was slightly higher from 1.3% to 2.0%. This reflects the addition correction stated earlier. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion. Sarah Morgan asked if the extra bus will be for the Jr. and Sr. High school kids so the elementary school kids will not have to deal with the language from the older kids. She would like to see this happen. She has heard many complaints about the bus behavior. Cynthia Chew stated GVS has two wonderful bus drivers who have great control over the bus. She stated there will still be a mix of younger and older kids on the bus. An additional bus for the morning would cost up to $10,000. She mentioned last year they

rerouted the bus route for a shorter ride and the seats filled up. The more bus riders the shorter the car line. Deb Cheever asked for clarification on the number of students at GVS. Jeffrey Walla answered the correct number is 233 for 2008 and for 2009 it's 242. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion to article 3. Lin Hill thanked the building committee and architects for their time in developing the proposal. She also thanked the school board for hiring current principal Kurt Gergler. She also said she was in favor of the proposal. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion. A member of the audience asked about a plan for seat belts on the bus. Cynthia Chew stated discussions she has had about seat belts on school buses determined they are not safe with little children. Bill Zimmerman said the National Safety Council strongly recommends against seat belts on school busses. He said a former district he was superintendent of actually installed seat belts and then had to take them out within a year at a cost of about $70,000. They had one serious eye injury as a result of misuse. He stated kids of all ages on the bus misuse them for everything but safety. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion. Pam Hanson asked if the budget didn't pass would there be any money to deal with roof leaks and immediate hazard concerns. Jeffrey Walla stated he wanted to wait for the results of the budget vote. Moderator Hanson stated it had been 1 hour and 1 minutes since the poll was open for voting on Article 2. He closed voting on Article 2. He asked for counters to come forward to count the votes for Article 2. **Article 2 was approved by a 2/3 vote with 317 ballots cast 239 in favor 78 opposed. Article 2 was adopted as written.**
Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion on Article 3. Merle Schotanus asked for the exact amount of the budget being voted on. Jeffrey Walla stated the number is $5,435,734 shown on the orange handout. Mr. Schotanus repeated the number of $5,435,734 and thanked Mr. Walla. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion. None was heard. He explained the yes/no ballot to be used would be green. He asked the counters to come forward to count the votes. While waiting for the ballots to be counted he moved to discuss Article 4. **Article 3 was passed by a majority vote of 144 votes cast 136 in favor and 8 opposed.**

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Grantham School District will vote to approve the cost item included in the three year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Grantham School Board and the Grantham Educational Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2008–2009	$60,668
2009 – 2010	$ 62,798
2010 – 2011	$ 65,541

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of $60,668 for the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and

benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (Recommended by the School Board)
Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Laurie Hanks for a motion to approve Article 4 as written. A second was heard from Pat Wells. Laurie Hanks stated the teachers were really supportive and gave up a lot for the expansion. The board would have liked to given them more in their contract but the teachers understood the importance of the expansion and the school board thanks them. Judy North asked if the budget included increased staffing. Laurie Hanks answered that the budget amount is this current year's salary. Judy asked if the staffing will increase based on the new school expansion. Laurie stated this will not impact staffing next year. Leslie Brown stated that the expansion does not mean that we will added additional classes. It will bring the classes back in the school from the portables and distribute the needed space for current programs. This doe not dictate any increase in staff. Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion. No discussion was heard. **Article 4 was passed by unanimous vote. Article 4 was adopted by a majority voice vote.**

ARTICLE 5. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars ($16,000) to be added to the school district special education expendable trust fund previously established. (Recommended by the School Board) Moderator Hanson explained Article 5 was officially posted with the other articles but due to a formatting error it was omitted from the packet. The handout was distributed to everyone. **Moderator Hanson recognized Laurie Hanks for motion to approve Article 5 as written. A second was heard by Jay Thompson.** Laurie explained the special education trust fund of $70,000. A total of $16,000 is needed to bring it back up to the $70,000. The special education fund is important to a small district. The fund will cover any unforeseen education costs. **Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion on Article 5. None was heard. Article 5 was passed by unanimous vote and was adopted as written.**

ARTICLE 6. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars ($30,000) to be added to the school district tuition expendable trust fund previously established. (Recommended by the School Board) **Moderator Hanson recognized Douglas Caffrey for motion to approve Article 6 as written. A second was heard.** Doug Caffrey explained the school district trust fund was established to cover an unanticipated students moving in that would go to the Junior or Senior high school. The fund needs to be at $100,00 and currently needs $30,000 to fund it. **Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion on Article 6. None was heard. Article 6 was passed by unanimous vote and was adopted as written.**

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Grantham School District will accept +/- 24 acres of the proposed subdivision for tax map 233 lot 075, currently known as 75 Learning Drive,

Town of Grantham. (Recommended by the School Board)) **Moderator Hanson recognized Cynthia Chew for motion to approve Article 7 as written. A second was heard by Mr. Chew.** Cynthia Chew explained the town still owns the property and the school needs to go to the selectman to get anything approved so it would be much easier if the school owned the property. The town has also agreed with the school to work on getting a bridge for an additional access road. **Moderator Hanson asked for further discussion on Article 7. None was heard. Article 7 was passed by unanimous vote and was adopted as written.**

ARTICLE 8. Shall the Grantham School District, if article 4 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 4 cost items only? (Recommended by the School Board) Since Article 4 was approved article 8 is a mute point.

ARTICLE 10. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting. **Moderator Hanson asked for discussion on Article 10. None was heard. A motion was heard to adjourn. A unanimous vote was heard to adjourn.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Molloy

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School District Clerk

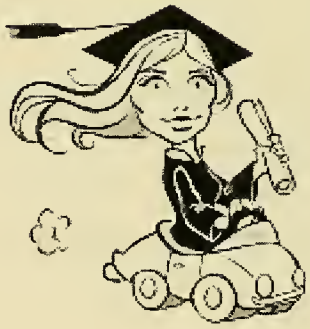
7th Grade	8th Grade	9th Grade	10th Grade
Alteva, Gergana	Anderson, Taylor	Arnold, Jennifer	Blandin, Matthew
Barton, Nicole	Beaulieu, Zachary	Bessette, Zachary	Brown, Megan
Berg, Rachel	Becker, Benjamin	Broughton, Emily	Caffrey, Sarah
Bessette, Teddy	Blanche, Gabriel	Chesnut, John	Chesnut, Melody
Bonk, Otto	Blike, Geoffrey	Childs, Ashley	Collier, Christine
Brown, Joshua	Buckman, Phoebe	Connally, John	Cornish, Stephanie
Charbono, Matthew	Caffrey, Mary	Cyphers, Michael	Covel, Dalton
Cressey, Lauren	Cartier, Nikayla	Dziegelewski, Cody	Craig, Corin
Fabry, Corey	Collier, Alisabeth	Gobin, Elisabeth	Cressey, Truman
Field, Trevor	Densmore, Justin	Goucher, Alyssa	Field, Danielle
Gallien, Madison	Googins, Andrew	Hosmer, Jordan	Gilliatt, Colleen
Gleim, Jennifer	Goucher, Ashley Rose	Kretowicz, Katelyn	Glinos, Jeffrey
Greeley, Alec	Greeley, Connor	Malnati, Jillian	Hueil, Marlin
Hanslin de Sherbinin, Nicholas	Guerin, Vincent	McGuire, Rylee	Marsh, Jeremy
Hastings, Travis	Hagan, Sara	Ray, Kristen	Mortenson, Alexandra
Holdowsky, Rebecca	Head, Alex	Richard, Emma	Paquette, Haleigh
Hurst, Anna	Hogsett, Mary Kathryn	Rollins, Abbigail	Purcell, Morgan
Laramie, Jennifer	Holdowsky, Liane	Schones, Brittany	Rivera, Dimequa
Liebold, Zachary	Hunt, John	Stitt, Kenneth	Rivera, Pantara
Lovejoy, Christopher	Johnes, Haley	Tilton, Garrett	Russell, Liam
Marcano, Aquiles	Keat, Moriah	Wallin, Leo	Sekula, Tyler
McCurley, Kassandra	Marcano, Mariana Del-Valle		Siegel, Katherine
Mitchell, Colleen	Martin, Daniel		Turner, Kelsie
Morgan, Gavin	McClory, Erin		Wells-Bogue, Madeleine
Palermo, Emily	Morgan, Brooke		Willis, Michael
Pomer, Kevin	Nichols, Bradley Jr		Wilson, Jacob
Purdy, Jeffrey	Rose, Darryl		
Schones, Micaela	Schmidt, Colette		
Shepherd, Nic	Sullivan, Spencer		
Smith, Abigail	Walker, Kelsey		
Tilton, Conner	Wilson, Zachary		
Tober-Spiegle, Shelton			
Wells-Bogue, Gary			
Whipple, Sarah			
White, Brenna			
Word, Andrew			

Grade 11

Baslow, Patrick	Berry, Chris	Berry, Shelby	Bessette, Samantha
Boyes, Susan	Chase, Phillip Scott	Converse, Jericka	Covel, Kaitlyn
Cyphers, Joshua	Eigenbrode, Sarah	Fox, Hilary	Gobin, Gregory
Hagan, Owen	Holland, Emily	Hunt, Daniel	Jarvis, Amanda
Kenny, Paige	Kierstead, Nicholas	Lane, Christopher	Lee, Jacqueline
Marks, Arianna	Marks, Tamara	Martin, Jayson	Mayo, Devin
McClory, Shawn	Mitchell, Nichole	Morgan, Braden	Paquette, Kyle
Ray, Karl	Richard, Evan	Smith, Matthew	Valente, Rebecca
Valliere, Ellie	Walters, Molly	Weber, Zachary	Whipple, Joshua
Williams, Gregory			

Grade 12 - Class of 2009

Allen, Jordan	Arnold, Kaitlyn	Beaulieu, Aaron	Berg, Anna
Broughall, Katie	Butler, Morgan	Carey, Erin	Clark, Stephen
Conine, Andrea	Cornish, Ashley	Emerson, Heather	Feldstein, Jeremy
Giveen, Luke	Guerin, Dylan	Hoag, Charles	Holu, Enoch
Hutchins, Matthew	Lamont, Brett	Mortenson, Ashley	O'Brien, Reed
Shepherd, Karli	Smith, Kristina	Steinmetz, Kasey	Sullivan, Patrick
Wells-Bogue, Merhawi	Williams, John	Wilson, Michael	



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SFN	Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
2008000501	FELDHAUS,CONRAD JOSEPH	01/05/2008	LEBANON,NH	FELDHAUS,MICHAEL	FELDHAUS,JANE
2008000362	ALLEN,FOREST JAY	01/09/2008	NASHUA,NH	ALLEN,GREGORY	LAU,SHANNON
2008000882	MUNHOLAND,PETRA CATHERINE	01/23/2008	LEBANON,NH	MUNHOLAND,LUKE	MUNHOLAND,ANNIKA
2008002015	BEISSINGER,JONAH PEARCE	02/22/2008	LEBANON,NH	BEISSINGER,JASON	BEISSINGER,HEATHER
2008002560	WARYAS,SOPHIA ROSE	03/04/2008	LEBANON,NH	WARYAS,VICTOR	WARYAS,BETHANIE
2008002563	WARYAS,SAMUEL VICTOR	03/04/2008	LEBANON,NH	WARYAS,VICTOR	WARYAS,BETHANIE
2008002754	SPICKA,REINA MODEM	03/12/2008	LEBANON,NH	SPICKA,PETER	MODEM,SRISWETHA
2008003408	WILSON,OLIVIA EVA	03/30/2008	LEBANON,NH	WILSON,WILLIAM	WILSON,ILONA
2008003955	HAGAN,WILLIAM JOHN EDMUND	04/14/2008	LEBANON,NH	HAGAN,JAMES	HAGAN,MARIBETH
2008004237	AMES,EDEN ELISE	04/17/2008	LEBANON,NH	AMES,JONATHAN	AMES,ERIN
2008004420	RAJESH,SAISHRI	04/30/2008	LEBANON,NH	NOLAMBUR,RAJESHKUMAR	RAVI,RAJALAKSHMI
2008005113	BROWN,ANNELISE MARY	05/14/2008	LEBANON,NH	BROWN,GREGORY	BROWN,JENNIFER
2008005227	HASTINGS,CAITLIN JOSIE	05/20/2008	LEBANON,NH	HASTINGS,JUSTIN	HASTINGS,NAOMI
2008006171	WEBER,CAROLINE RUTH	06/09/2008	LEBANON,NH	WEBER,BRYAN	WEBER,MARY JO
2008005946	HAYWARD,ANNA MAE	06/10/2008	LEBANON,NH	HAYWARD,SHAWN	HAYWARD,AMY
2008006781	LAHAYE,NOAH JAMES	06/30/2008	LEBANON,NH	LAHAYE,TRAVIS	LACLAIR,NICOLE
2008008194	FOWLER-THORSEN,PAYSON KATE	07/17/2008	LEBANON,NH	RINDE-THORSEN,EMILY	FOWLER,AMY
2008008205	DANN,CARLY KAITLYN	07/21/2008	LEBANON,NH	DANN,LUKE	DANN,ELIZABETH
2008008229	POLJACIK,ALEXANDRA FAE	07/24/2008	LEBANON,NH	POLJACIK,CHRISTOPHER	POLJACIK,JENNIFER
2008008774	BIRCHER,REESE WILLIAM	08/08/2008	LEBANON,NH	BIRCHER,TODD	BIRCHER,WENDY
2008009229	GARCIA,MICHAEL JOSHUA RAGUDO	09/01/2008	LEBANON,NH	GARCIA,RODHELLO	GARCIA,CHERRY
2008009791	BREEDLOVE,PAYTON ELLA	09/03/2008	LEBANON,NH	BREEDLOVE,JEFFREY	DESMARAIS,DENISE
2008009683	GALLAGHER,AMELIA REESE	09/10/2008	LEBANON,NH	GALLAGHER,JOSEPH	GALLAGHER,MELISSA
2008010265	HERMANSON,OLIVER ROBERT	09/16/2008	LEBANON,NH	HERMANSON,THOMAS	HERMANSON,KAREN
2008011051	RAPPAPORT,KAILYN LOUISE	10/13/2008	LEBANON,NH	RAPPAPORT,DAVID	OSMER,SHAWNA
2008011573	HENAULT,AUDREY RACHEL	10/30/2008	LEBANON,NH	HENAULT,PATRICK	POULTON,BRYRONY
2008013239	BETT,SIGEY NJAMBI	12/10/2008	LEBANON,NH	BETT,GEORGE	BETT,DOREEN
2008013287	HUMPHREY,CHRISTIAN JOHN	12/16/2008	LEBANON,NH	HUMPHREY,DARREN	HUMPHREY,PAMELA

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SFN	Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
2008000046	GUYETTE, ROBERT	01/03/2008	GRANTHAM	GUYETTE, ELIJAH	LATHAM, ALICE	Y
2008000223	NEALY, CONRAD	01/09/2008	GRANTHAM	NEALY, JOHN	O'BOY, MARY	N
2008000298	CLEGG, JOHN	01/12/2008	GRANTHAM	BARKALOW, ADRIEN	SALTINBERGER, ELENOR	Y
2008002091	COLE, GRETEL	03/15/2008	NASHUA	PALMER, ERNEST	MCCALLUM, IRENE	N
2008002528	ESSER, KURT	03/26/2008	GRANTHAM	ESSER, ERNST	LOEB, JOHANNA	Y
2008002925	BUNCE, STANLEY	04/04/2008	NEW LONDON	BUNCE, ARTHUR	STICHT, ELIZABETH	N
2008003155	BARTON, HERMAN	04/17/2008	GRANTHAM	BARTON, LEAVITT	RICHARDSON, PEARL	N
2008004711	REEVES, RONALD	06/13/2008	LEBANON	REEVES, ALBERT	MULVEY, WINIFRED	N
2008005042	DANZOLL, CHARLES	06/25/2008	GRANTHAM	DANZOLL, FRANCIS	GRAVES, MARY	N
2008005684	SCALABRIN, ERNEST	07/14/2008	GRANTHAM	SCALABRIN, BRUNO	GAVALAS, RITA	Y
2008005613	CALLAHAN, THOMAS	07/17/2008	GRANTHAM	CALLAHAN, EDWARD	MALLOY, FRANCES	Y
2008006800	SHEPARD, ALMA	09/01/2008	GRANTHAM	LABER, GEORGE	GOODELL, DELLA	N
2008008333	SMITH, THEODORE	10/29/2008	GRANTHAM	SMITH, ELMER	STEVENSON, CLARA	Y

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RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

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SFN	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
2008000109	BECKER,STEVEN	GRANTHAM,NH	JOHNSON,KIMBERLY A	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	ENFIELD	01/12/2008
2008001978	KNAPP,JUSTIN R	GRANTHAM,NH	BENGTSON,TAMARA S	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	LEBANON	05/24/2008
2008002892	FRANCO MEDINA,MARIANO	ENFIELD,NH	LAHAYE,MELISSA S	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	06/21/2008
2008002966	BARTON,JESSE O	GRANTHAM,NH	ALDRICH,APRIL E	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	MONROE	06/21/2008
2008004739	O'BRIEN,CHRISTOPHER R	GRANTHAM,NH	MEGLI,CHRISTINA J	WHITE RIVER JCT,VT	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	08/09/2008
2008004812	BOMAN,SCOTT M	GRANTHAM,NH	ALDRICH,SUSAN E	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	JAFFREY	08/10/2008
2008005286	SANTANIELLO,MICHAEL E	GRANTHAM,NH	SIDMORE,SUZANNE E	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	08/23/2008
2008005406	MARSH,GREGORY P	GRANTHAM,NH	KING,JESSIE A	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	GOSHEN	08/23/2008
2008007781	BOSTWICK,STANLEY J	GRANTHAM,NH	PHETTEPLACE,SHARI M	GRANTHAM,NH	NEW LONDON	UNITY	10/25/2008

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RESIDENT CIVIL UNION REPORT

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2008000089	WEST,JEANNE M	GRANTHAM,NH	NAGY,LAURA L	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	HANOVER	01/05/2008
2008000418	FOWLER,AMY R	GRANTHAM,NH	RINDE-THORSEN,EMILY E	GRANTHAM,NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	07/12/2008

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GRANTHAM TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 10, 2009
5 p.m.
Grantham Town Hall
Lower Level
300 Route 10 South

Polls open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

Wednesday, March 18, 2009
7 p.m.
Grantham Village School Gymnasium
75 Learning Drive

ELECTION
Tuesday, March 10, 2009
Polls open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Grantham Town Bldg - Lower Level
300 Route 10 South